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Transit Board Dedicates H. S. Anthon Memorial Library

DEDICATING THE Harold S. Anthon Memorial Engineering Library on January 7, were members of Chicago Transit Board. The library at CTA's General Offices is named in honor of Harold S. Anthon, former general superintendent of engineering, who died in December, 1967.

Mr. Anthon, who was an employe of CTA for 19 years, was instrumental in the establishment of the technical library and the Engineering Department central filing system. In addition, his widow, Mrs. Barbara Anthon, donated her husband's personal collection of some 300 books and manuscripts to the library.

Pictured above at the dedication (from left) are: R. J. Peacock, Board member; E. J. Sullivan, librarian; Mrs. B. T. Van der Vries, Board member; G. L. DeMent, Board chairman; Mrs. Barbara Anthon; J. R. Quinn, vice-chairman; J. E. Rutherford, Board member, and T. B. O'Connor, general manager.

A framed copy of the resolution passed by Chicago Transit Board at its November 7 meeting was presented to Mrs. Anthon. The text of the resolution follows:

WHEREAS, the late Harold S. Anthon, General Superintendent of Engineering, was instrumental in the establishment of the Chicago Transit Authority Technical Library and Engineering Central Filing System; and

WHEREAS, he was active in staffing the Engineering Department with personnel of high caliber for CTA and he constantly urged those employes under his direction to improve themselves through education; and

WHEREAS, he worked continuously to improve the character and quality of CTA Engineering as evidenced by the development of CTA's Engineering Standards during his tenure as General Superintendent of Engineering; and

WHEREAS, he inaugurated a program of integrated engineering and planning within CTA and he was responsible for the adoption of many modern engineering tools and techniques by CTA engineers and construction personnel; and

WHEREAS, he gave completely of himself in the performance of his duties during his nineteen years of service to Chicago Transit Authority and instilled in others his sense of dedication; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Barbara Anthon, knowing of her husband's wish to further the education and knowledge of his staff and of young engineers in the employ of CTA, donated Mr. Anthon's personal library of some 300 books and manuscripts to the CTA Engineering Library in order that they be available to all; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD OF CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

That the Engineering Department Library be dedicated and named THE HAROLD S. ANTHON MEMORIAL ENGINEERING LIBRARY, during a suitable ceremony with Mrs. Anthon, Members of the Board and the Staff in attendance and that an appropriate plaque be prepared and displayed in a prominent place in the Library; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That a copy of this resolution be presented to Mrs. Barbara Anthon.

1968 Suggestion Plan Report

Shows Record-Breaking Year

MARKING ITS biggest year in terms of cash awards given to employes, the Employe Suggestion Plan announced in its 1968 annual report that a total of $6,183 was shared by 182 CTAers.

Receiving the largest cash award during the year, and since the inception of the Plan in 1952, was James Forrestal, bus overhaul shop foreman, South Shops. Sixty-six other adoptable suggestions were submitted by Shops and Equipment employes during the year and they won $2,078 for their efforts—making a total of $4,078 won in the S&E Department. With 52 suggestions adopted, General Office employes won $950, and with a total of 17 adoptions, Engineering Department employes won $480.

An evaluation of the merits of suggestions adopted during the year indicates that savings resulting from their being placed in effect would approximate $40,635.

Participating in the suggestion plan during 1968 were 1,042 employes who submitted a total of 1,349 suggestions. In all, 23,378 suggestions have been received since the present system-wide suggestion plan was established on October 1, 1952. During the same period, to December 31, 1968, a total of 2,075 suggestions have been adopted and $40,813 has been paid out to employes in awards. Total savings realized since the plan went into effect amount to $291,160.

Among the last to receive cash awards for suggestions adopted during 1968 were Cornelius DeBoer, Utility-South Shops, who won $50; and Edward Gertz, Engineering-South Shops, John Gritis, Reproduction Services, Vernon Howe, S&E-South Shops, and George Munyer, S&E-Forest Park, who won awards of $25 each.

Five other employes who submitted their second adoptable suggestion within a year and received $25 cash awards include: General Office—Marlene Day, Equipment Research and Development, Bernadette Kizior, Electrical, and Joseph Sabol, Schedule-Traffic. Shops and Equipment—Winmon Lewis Jr., South Shops, and Thomas Tadevic, South Shops. Each of the above cash award winners also received a $7.00 gift certificate.

Four employes who received supplemental cash awards for suggestions adopted during 1967 are: Charles Jurkus, Stores-South Shops, and Ralph Keane and Henry Kolar, S&E-South Shops, who received $10 each. Max Kuchan, S&E-South Shops, received supplemental awards of $10 and $15 for two of his adopted suggestions.

Those named for Honorable Mention awards because they submitted their first adoptable suggestion, making them eligible to receive gift certificates, are: Transportation—Myrtle Apitz, North Section; L. P. Arseneau, Beverly; Charles Banser, Desplaines; Mildred Doyle, Forest Park; James Martinek, 61st Street; E. T. Murphy, North Section; Kathleen O'Donnell, North Section; Bernard Pyzik, Congress, and Edmund Vaisvilas, Lawndale. Shops & Equipment—Thomas Coates, South Shops; Herman Izzo, Douglas Terminal; Max Kuchan Jr., South Shops; Winmon Lewis Jr., South Shops; Gerald McLaughlin, 69th Street; Henry Peterson, South Shops; Frank Soluri, South Shops, and Richard Zajac, South Shops. General Office—Regina Daren, Medical; Joanne Fenn, Insurance; John Gritis, Reproduction Services; Nancy Hagemeyer, Public Information; Gerald McManamon, Employe Relations; Joseph Sabol, Schedule-Traffic; Mary Traxler, Claim, and W. H. Vigus, Engineering. Stores—Charles Jurkus, South Shops, and James Zazula, North Division. Electrical—William F. Glassner, Blue Island. Engineering—James Nagel, West Shops.

Acting upon all suggestions received from CTA employes is the four-man coordinating committee consisting of R. T. Warnstedt, suggestion coordinator; J. R. Blaa, superintendent of rapid transit operations, Transportation Department; R. H. Martz, Equipment Research and Development, and J. F. Urbaszewski, Engineering Department.

Determining the merit of each suggestion and the amounts of awards is the Executive Decision Committee of the Employe Suggestion Plan. The committee consists of Chairman C. E. Keiser, operating manager; Executive Secretary F. C. Knautz, superintendent of public and employe relations; L. G. Anderson, superintendent of shops and equipment; D. M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation; P. J. Meinardi, manager of finance, and E. E. Olmstead, superintendent of engineering.

Foreman Cited for Saving Life of Shopman

QUITE OFTEN, CTA employes are praised for acts of alertness and dilligence beyond the line of duty. The performance of such an act, calling for great presence of mind, recently brought a commendation to Matthew Coyle, assistant day foreman, Congress Terminal Shop.

On Monday, December 30, 1968, at approximately 11:08 a.m., Car Repairman Albert A. Long apparently suffered a heart attack or stroke in the repair pit at the Congress Shop. Mr. Coyle, cognizant of the situation, immediately applied mouth to mouth resuscitation in an attempt to revive him, and continued to do so until the arrival of the Forest Park Fire Department pulmotor unit.

Mr. Coyle, an 18 year employe and a graduate of the 1966 Red Cross first aid instructors course, was commended by General Manager T. B. O'Connor for his actions. Because of his quick thinking, he was instrumental in saving the life of Mr. Long. Mr. O'Connor in a congratulatory letter said in part: "I am sure that I speak for Mr. Long when I extend our heartfelt thanks to you. We are proud to have men of your caliber in our employ."

SUPERVISORY ASSIGNMENTS AFFECT THREE DEPARTMENTS

IN BULLETINS issued recently, appointments affecting supervisory personnel in the Engineering, Shops and Equipment, and Transportation Departments were announced.

Assuming new posts effective February 1, were G. Millonas, who became superintendent of buildings and construction, C. G. Kalogeras, who was named superintendent of design, and E. Siegel, who became engineer of bridges and structures. The appointments were made by E. E. Olmstead, superintendent of engineering, and approved by Operations Manager C. E. Keiser.

Named in appointments effective January 5, were J. A. Ward as day assistant foreman at Kedzie Garage, D. J. Sturenfeldt as day assistant foreman at 77th Street Garage, H. Johnson as P.M. foreman at 77th Street Garage, and W. E. Toomey as relief foreman at 69th Street Garage. The bulletins issued by J. W. Dain, superintendent of garages, were approved by J. J. Repplinger, superintendent of surface system shops and garages, and L. G. Anderson, superintendent of shops and equipment.

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The appointment and reassignment of supervisory personnel in the Transportation Department was announced in bulletins issued recently by D. M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation, and approved by C. E. Keiser, operating manager.

Appointed to new posts at surface districts effective December 1, were V. Lauletta, district superintendent-District C, W. Prosen, relief district superintendent-Districts B and C, and W. Mazieka, district supervisor-District A. Reassigned as district superintendent-District D, was J. Stanton.

Assuming new assignments at surface system operating stations on January 12, were H. P. Braun, assistant superintendent-Lawndale Station, F. J. Vitek, relief superintendent-52nd Street and Beverly Station, and F. Zeiger, senior station instructor. Reassigned as assistant superintendents were J. W. Daubs, Kedzie Station, and G. D. Peyton, 77th Street Station.

Surface district personnel named in assignments effective February 1, include E. W. Novak, district superintendent-District B; R. Jones, relief district superintendent-Districts A and B; J. Millette, district supervisor-District B, and W. Rohl, relief district supervisor-Districts A, B, and C. Reassigned as district superintendent-District A, was E. R. O'Connell.

MOVING?

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SNOW JOBS: Nothing New to CTAers

WINTER MEANS, among other things, the renewal of combat with Mother Nature—who always finds it in her heart to drop an abundance of snow in the laps of Chicagoans. And transit employes have traditionally been among the first to arm themselves and join the battle to rid the streets of the white stuff.

Of course, the snowfighter's job will never be an easy one, but as the tools of the trade have been improved, the job has been simplified. If you don't believe it, glance over the pictures on this page dating to that era which some people insist on calling, "The Good Old Days."

Before the advent of the cable car it took a pick, shovel, and a strong back to clear a path for horse cars, but with the mechanization of transit service in the 1880's came a new innovation, a rail borne snow plow. Four-wheelers like the F241 were weighted down with brake shoes and coupled to the front of a cable grip car or streetcar. Controls for the rail scraper and plow were manned by a hardy individual who had to bear the elements on his open-air ride.

As streetcars began to serve the old horse and cable car routes, improved types of snow equipment appeared on the scene. Sweeper cars like E53 had motor-driven rotary brooms which did a good job of clearing the car tracks, but didn't win the favor of motorists parked along the line. Former sprinkler cars like D207 found a new use in the thirties when they were rebuilt to serve as snow plows. A second trainman riding with the motorman controlled both the front and wing shears from his station at the side window. Cars like these remained on standby until the last streetcar route was replaced in Chicago, and saw service as late as during the 1957-58 winter.

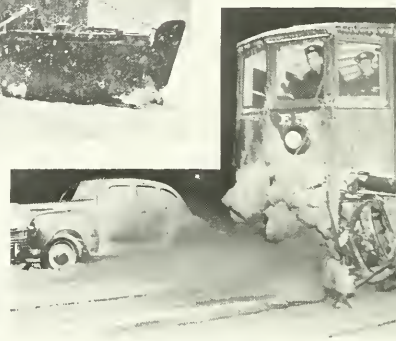
As the motor and trolley bus system began to take shape in 1930, the need for rubber-tired snow fighting equipment developed. Initially, the job was filled by dump trucks which received frames and winches for carrying plows, and an automatic sanding attachment connected through a universal to the drive shaft. In succeeding years, automotive equipment improved continually with the development of hydraulic and automatic devices with controls in the driver's cab.

If you still think methods haven't improved, put yourself in the place of the supervisors and streetcar trainmen who had to clear the groove for the tongue of an electric switch.

Snow plow-scraper F241

Snow plow D207

Sweeper E53



Keeping the switch open

Snow plow-sander 554

QUESTION:
What was your most memorable experience or event of 1968?

LOCATION:
Operations

INQUIRING REPORTER:
Colette Szczepanek

ROBERT L. DESVIGNES (top left), line supervisor, Operations Control: "To me the most memorable event of 1968 was the day my daughter, Denise, was graduated from Fenger High school with honors and in the upper quarter of her class. She is now attending the University of Chicago on a state grant."

ELSIE SMITH (top right), information clerk, Transportation: "Being with all seven of my grandchildren at one time and place, especially at Christmas, was quite an occasion for me and will be long remembered."

BOB QUETSCHKE, assistant to the superintendent of operating stations, Transportation (with reporter Colette Szczepanek): "The most memorable event for me happened on January 16th, the day I celebrated my 25th wedding anniversary. We had a small dinner at Plentywood Farm for our family to celebrate the occasion."

MARLENE DAY (bottom left), stenographer, Equipment Research & Development: "It was my visit to Pearl Harbor and the awesome feeling one experiences when at the U.S.S. Arizona Monument upon realizing the great number of men who died for our country and are entombed there. It was a most impressive day for me."

W. J. "Pat" PORCELIUS (bottom right), clerk, Utility & Emergency Service-Blue Island: "1968 had not one but two memorable events. The year began with a three-week vacation in Hawaii and ended with a two-week vacation in the beautiful Virgin Islands."

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin, CTA Medical Consultant

JOGGING HAS become one of man's most helpful types of exercise. And according to Dr. Paul Dudley White, noted heart specialist, exercise is the best medicine.

Jogging has been practiced in many countries, but no one knows for sure where it originated. It has been said the Greeks were the first to jog. They were fond of physical exercise and especially of running. Before it became popular in this country it was done in New Zealand by many people.

In recent months, jogging—which is alternate trotting and walking along a roadside or "in place" in one's home—has gained widespread popularity as a simple and effective form of exercise. Most of our employes have heard about it and may be wondering whether they should take it up. Therefore, this article is being written to emphasize a few facts about jogging. It will be pointed out briefly why it may be wise to begin a healthful jogging program and also prevent the possibility of harmful overexertion.

WHY EXERCISE? In the past 50 years, the great proliferation of labor-saving machines, especially the automobile, has greatly reduced the physical exercise which used to be incidental to our work days and to many of our leisure hours. We have learned that lack of this exercise, for which our bodies are designed, not only results in loss of muscle strength but more importantly may produce deleterious effects in our arteries, and in turn on the vital organs such as the brain and the heart which the arteries supply with blood.

WHY JOGGING IS A GOOD FORM OF EXERCISE. Without claiming to be the only way to get needed exercise, one can offer a number of reasons which might make it the best choice for many of us. For one thing, unlike lifting, isometric exercises, and some other calisthenics, the emphasis is not on building muscle power but more in improving the lungs, heart, extremities, and general circulation. Added to this, I want to mention that jogging is free—it requires no special equipment or facilities. It is quick and requires a minimum of time from a busy day's schedule and it is easily adjustable in degree and duration and suited to all ages. One does not have to waste time getting on a schedule in the gymnasium or on the golf course. Finally, most people enjoy it. It is also safe if you follow a gradual work-out schedule and do not overexert yourself. All of the above reasons, plus the fact that it may prolong a useful life, make it a desirable form of exercise.

CAN IT BE HARMFUL? The answer is yes, if persons in poor condition do not begin gradually enough and if increases in activity are not properly scheduled. The longer a person has been out of condition and the older he or she may be, the more important it is to follow a gradual build-up schedule.

It is also recommended, especially for those over 30 years of age, that your personal physician be consulted before beginning a jogging program.

Sometimes, when one first starts the jogging program, aches and pains will be noted. It takes time for muscles, ligaments, and tendons to adjust to the new stresses. The wearing of properly padded shoes or jogging on sod or grass instead of cement walks will minimize the soreness. If shortness of breath or chest pains are noted as a result of jogging, a doctor's examination should be arranged.

Anyone interested in jogging to improve their health may get detailed information on the technique and schedule from many booklets on this subject. It is good for most people and it may be good for you. Finally, as stated previously, if you have any doubts about your ability or physical condition, check with your family doctor first.

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING -

The Christmas season was certainly a happy one this year, with the various sections having their individual Christmas parties at their preferred restaurants. The Payroll and Revenue sections held their parties at the M & M Club in the Mart. The Revenue Section had an interesting party with community singing led by Revenue Accountant Mr. F. C. PALILUNAS, who is an accomplished pianist. At this party, there were three retired employes: THERESA HAYES, HELEN FRANSON, and IVAN MILLER, of the Real Estate Department. Other invited guests could not attend due to illness and previous commitments...Retiree MAE BUJNOWSKI dropped in to extend Christmas greetings to her former co-workers...We want to welcome Mrs. YVONNE ZAJAC, comptometer operator, and JERRY LALES, who returned from military service...World traveler LOIS JAHNKE visited Spain, Morocco, and Gibralter on a recent thrilling vacation...We are sorry to report that Mrs. ANNA WEINSTOCK, Revenue, fell and broke her arm, and Mrs. BEA FRANKE broke two ribs in a fall...There has been a considerable amount of illness caused by the Hong Kong flu...Retiree NAOMI BOHLIN fell Christmas eve suffering a broken pelvic bone. She is confined at St. Francis hospital, Blue Island, Illinois.

- Eileen Neurauter & Clotilde Mrzena

BEVERLY -

Thanks to everyone for all the Christmas cards and letters, and especially to the pensioners who dropped us a line or two...Pensioner TERRY NICHOLSEN's wife, ROSE, sent us Christmas greetings and it's nice to have friends who don't forget you...Pensioner BERNARD ZESCH, who now lives at 4671 41st Avenue North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33714, also sent us seasons greetings. Drop Bernie a line...The flu epidemic has most of us down in bed and we could use a few weeks of sun in the sunshine state of Florida...We wish a speedy recovery to Superintendent JOHN FARRIS and JACK VAUGHN of the Repair Department...We express our sympathy to the family of Superintendent LEO TAMUL who passed away, also to Operator GEORGE WEATHER in the loss of his father...We take our hat off to Clerk JOHN KIRBY, Operator JOHN (Mighty Mite) MAHONEY, Operator JOHN METKE, and La Rabida Council, Knights of Columbus, who donated cigarettes, candy, and clothing to the patients of Tinley Park State hospital. Thanks, also, to all the men who helped deliver Christmas baskets to the poor people of Chicago's Southside. We are sure the man upstairs will reward all of you some day.

- Tom Daniels

CLAIM -

BERNIE and MARY ANN JAGODZINSKI have returned from Japan, where they went on a tour and viewed the largest Buddha in the world and attended a few geisha parties... Welcome back to NORA CRONIN who has recently returned to work after being on the sick list for some time...Congratulations to Superintendent of Agents and Janitors PAT HALLAHAN, and his wife, BETTY, who celebrated their 25th anniversary last month by renewing their marriage vows and attending an anniversary dinner party. One of their sons, Tracy, 10, commented that he was glad he could finally see his mom and dad get married...Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of ED HEALY, who passed away last month...Welcome to JOE KUNZER, formerly of the Mail Room, who recently joined our department...Congratulations and best wishes to FLORENCE GRAY, who retired January 1. Florence says she is just going to take life easy and enjoy her retirement, but she'll be back to visit us and let us know how good it feels not to have to get up before the sun does...JOHN DALY's son, BUTCH, was home on leave and has recently left for Germany for an 18-month stay. Good luck, Butch. Watch out for the frauleins.

- Peggy Hallahan & Shari Pupa

CONGRESS (Agents) -

I hope that everybody had a most enjoyable holiday season and that the new year will be the best ever...In November, I was on jury duty and then on the sick list for almost a month with the flu. Thank you for the many cards and remembrances...Pensioner MARIE SCHOOS' family celebrated her birthday, November 29, with the usual grand dinner, followed by card games. On the next day, which was November 30, it was 10 years since Marie retired. It was also the day that all the pensioners received those large welcomed checks, but Marie never had the pleasure because she passed away before it came. Marie did not only believe in her faith, but she was a good example of how it should be lived. Let us not forget this wonderful lady, Marie Schoos...Agent VALENTINE SYKES' will celebrate her birthday February 24. She is married to WILLIAM SYKES of 69th Street Depot. William decided that

their 12th Christmas should be something special. It was, and she had a chance to put on a mink coat that was out of this world...Porter TAYLOR BENNETT was in the Veteran's hospital. He is doing very well...Switchman CLAUDE KINARD celebrated his birthday on January 6 with his wife, JUNE, and their darling children...Pensioners, share your happy times with your old friends by letting us mention you in the column.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL (General Office) -

Congratulations and best wishes to our retirees. Mr. S. S. DANECKE, superintendent of construction and maintenance, started the year right as a January 1 retiree after 39 years of service. He will be missed by all, but thought of often with wishes for a wonderful retirement. Mr. Danecke and his wife are known to be quite the travelers, but when home, they are kept quite busy by three wonderful grandchildren. What a great way to spend a retirement!.. February 1 finds Mr. FRANK E. JONES, testing engineer, sitting back and thinking of the wonderful carefree years which are now his to enjoy leisurely. After 46 years of service, he had made many friends, all who have expressed their sorrow at seeing him leave, but wish him a happy retirement. Best wishes, Frankie!..BERNADETTE KIZIOR's father, Operator FRANK S. KIZIOR, Lawndale, is starting his retirement on February 1 after 36 years of service. Many household projects are awaiting him which he is really looking forward to. Bernadette's mother is presently in the hospital due to a very bad case of the flu, but we all express our wishes for a speedy recovery so this retirement can be shared by both. Best wishes for many happy and healthy years together...It has been quite a long time since our department has extended engagement congratulations. Mr. RAY BIENIASZ presented Miss JOAN SCHULGET with a wonderful Christmas present—a diamond ring! June 14 is presently being considered as the big day. Congratulations, Ray, and please extend our best wishes to your fiancee...With just a few months of winter left, let's try to make them healthy ones.

- Donna Kaminski

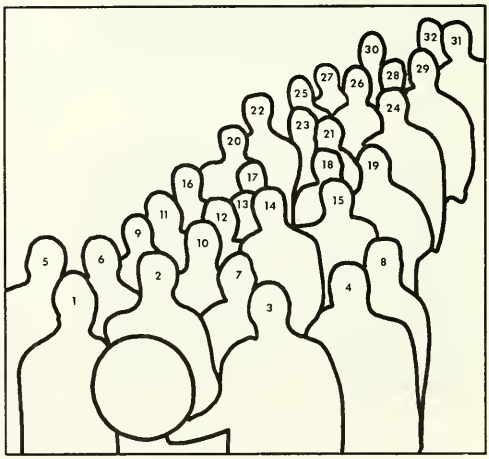
(Blue Island) -

Well, for the month of January, there's not much to write about. I guess everybody was too busy with the holidays, and five out of six being bitten by the flu bug. We wish a happy retirement to ART HANSEL who retired on December 1 and who now resides at Route #1, Box 603, Homosassa, Florida 32646, and to FRANK JONES who surprised just about everyone by taking an early retirement... Retired men who visited Blue Island during the holidays were: BENNY KIRCHENS, JAKE BERNSTEIN, EDWARD O'BRIEN, CLYDE PETERSON, and C. J. WOLF...On vacation at this time are CHARLES and JULIA DUGO, who vacationed in Acapulco, Mexico; WILLIAM and BEATRICE McDONALD, who had their first airplane ride and vacationed at Las Vegas; Mr. and Mrs. WALTER BANICKI, who spent a week in New Mexico and visited Mr. and Mrs. HARRY ESSINGTON, retired electrical engineer; R. PRIESBE, and R. SIERS...Birthday greetings are extended to the following: L. ANASENES, J. PIENTO, DONOFRIO, J. DARCY, J. RUSNAK, L. BEEMSTERBOER, C. MATUSZEWSKI, E. R. SMITH, J. WALLON, D. REED, R. FERGUSON, P. SAUVE, A. SMITH, BILL (Porky) PARK, G. A. UNWIN, R. T. NORTON, W. J. TOWNSEND, and W. C. McDONALD...Our deepest sympathy to the CZANSTKOWSKI family in the loss of their brother, HARRY CZANSTKOWSKI, and our sympathy to the MORAVEC family in the loss of ANTHONY MORAVEC.

- William Rehder

ENGINEERING—RESEARCH & PLANNING -

CHARLEY MANTHEY and JACK GUARIN, Engineering Department, retired January 1 and were honored at a dinner on Friday, December 27, at Georgia restaurant, 6339 S. Central avenue. Short speeches were made by GEORGE MILLONAS and RUSS SHANKLIN about Charley and Jack. They were both presented with beautiful portable AM-FM radios. Also, to add a little humor to it all, WALLY GAEDTKE presented JACK GUARIN with a gold stake and JOE O'CONNOR, from the Real Estate Department, read a testimonial to Charley about his 45 working years with the CTA. Music and refreshments followed and the evening was en-



LOCAL 713 electrical workers with more than 25 years' continuous service were honored at a pin night ceremony on November 19. Pictured at left on the winding stairway at Robert Allen Caterers on West Diversey avenue are 30 CTAers and the Local business agents, who are identified by corresponding numbers on the illustration at the right: (1) Leon Kajpust, Skokie Shops; (2) Joseph Bednarik, Skokie Shops; (3) Harry Weaver, business agent; (4) Matty Koupas, retired; (5) Tony Solkas, South Shops; (6) Eddie Roberts, South Shops; (7) Andy Unicof, retired; (8) Joseph Brzaska, Skokie Shops; (9) Al Samaska, South Shops; (10) Tom Hoey, Skokie Shops; (11) James Marron, South Shops; (12) Ray Egbert, South Shops; (13) Frank Deloquilo, Skokie Shops; (14) Tony Arini, Skokie Shops; (15) Eddie Morris, Skokie Shops; (16) John Witkus, South Shops; (17) Paul Spolec, South Shops; (18) Marko Dundovich, Skokie Shops; (19) William Taylor, business agent; (20) Eddie May, Skokie Shops; (21) Joe Christoi, West Shops; (22) Bill Novotny, South Shops; (23) Frank Horvat, South Shops; (24) James Lamont, South Shops; (25) Bob Binnie, Skokie Shops; (26) Gene Rymke, Skokie Shops; (27) Walter Sundquist, South Shops; (28) John Dundovich, Skokie Shops; (29) Bob Hockborth, South Shops; (30) Bill Hansen, South Shops; (31) Nick Simonetti, South Shops, and (32) Ray Ellerbeck, South Shops. The two retired employes, Andy Unicof and Matty Koupas, had completed 50 years of service each before taking their pensions.

NEW PENSIONERS

F. H. GRAY
44 Years

J. F. McLAUGHLIN
45 Years

D. H. ARNOLD
44 Years

T. L. PRITCHARD
42 Years

O. SURANNO
41 Years

R. T. GRAY
44 Years

I. J. PETERS
41 Years

A. M. SATZKE
41 Years

JOHN AARDEMA, Mechanic,
South Shops, Emp. 11-29-33
DAVID H. ARNOLD, Motorman,
West Section, Emp. 4-19-24
FRANK A. CESAFSKY, Repairer,
Kedzie, Emp. 12-19-29
CHARLES CONRAD, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 8-24-37
HENRY A. CRESCIO, Operator
North Avenue, Emp. 10-12-37
THOMAS A. CUMMANE, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 7-5-29
SHERMAN DICKSON, Trackman,
Track, Emp. 8-19-47
WILLIAM T. DOWTIN, Personnel Investigator,
Special Investigations, Emp. 1-20-38
LOURING M. EATINGER, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 10-9-29
NORA E. FAHEY, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 8-11-43
ANTON FRANCISCOVICH, Track Foreman IV,
Track, Emp. 8-27-29
FLORENCE H. GRAY, Stenographer V,
Claim, Emp. 3-21-24
RAYMOND T. GRAY, Assistant to Trustee,
Division 241, Emp. 10-15-24
JACK GUARIN, Chainman,
Engineering, Emp. 4-10-34
WILLIAM J. HANNON, Traffic Checker,
Schedule-Traffic, Emp. 7-14-37
GEORGE L. HOFMANN, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 10-25-36
THOMAS A. HOUGH, Accident Record Clerk II,
Train. & Accid. Prev., Emp. 4-26-29
EUGENE J. HOWARD, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 8-30-26
GEORGE H. JAHN, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 4-17-42
JOHN F. KAWA, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 5-2-42
SAMUEL T. KELLEY, Information Clerk,
Transportation, Emp. 1-18-34
MILTON A. LaCLOCHE, Stock Clerk I,
South Division, Emp. 11-2-36
HELEN A. LARKIN, Wrapper & Stitcher,
South Shops, Emp. 3-7-45
ARTHUR E. LAUTER, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 10-19-28
FRANCIS T. MALONEY, Supervisor,
District "C", Emp. 6-3-29
CARL G. MANTHEY, Survey Party Chief,
Engineering, Emp. 4-20-23
JENNIE L. McCLAIN, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 6-30-47
ALEXANDER McFALL, Serviceman,
Archer, Emp. 1-18-44
JOHN F. McLAUGHLIN, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 9-23-23
MICHAEL F. McNICHOLAS, Serviceman,
North Avenue, Emp. 9-19-42
FRED MELAU, Motorman,
West Section, Emp. 6-24-29

PICTURED HERE are eight employes who retired on January 1 with 40 or more years service with CTA and its predecessor companies.

THOMAS A. NASH, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 11-15-29
JOSEPH A. NOLAN, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 8-17-37
EDMUND NONA, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 3-6-34
DANIEL O'BOYLE, Asst. Foreman,
Kedzie, Emp. 7-8-43
JOHN J. O'CONNELL, Switchboard Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 11-11-36
HERMAN C. OLSON, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 2-6-43
LESTER M. O'SHEA, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 6-5-29
IRVIN J. PETERS, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 1-13-27
RICHARD H. POWERS, Traffic Checker,
Schedule-Traffic, Emp. 1-5-34
THOMAS L. PRITCHARD, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 1-7-26
ARTHUR M. SATZKE, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 10-10-27
THOMAS J. SHEEHY, Collector,
North Avenue, Emp. 6-27-28
ONOFRIO SURANNO, Machinist,
South Shops, Emp. 5-13-27
RALPH J. TILL, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 8-18-37
RICHARD C. WARNING, Custodian of Stored Records I,
Office Services, Emp. 9-14-27

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

SYLVESTER S. DANECKE, Supt. of Constr. & Maint.,
Electrical, Emp. 8-13-29
STEVE J. GECAN, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 8-21-44
TIMOTHY J. HEFFERNAN, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 8-24-37
GEORGE C. LaMONT, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 8-2-48
LeROY J. MORRIS, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 8-8-42
JAMES NORRIS, Motorman,
61st Street, Emp. 1-11-50
SYLVESTER A. PATELSKI, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 1-6-43

PICTURED HERE receiving a farewell gift is **R. C. WARNING**, custodian of stored records I, who retired after 41 years of service on January 1. Shown are, left to right, front row: **R. HYNES**, supervisor of Office Services, Mr. Warning, **A. LATHOUWERS**, assistant revenue accountant, and **J. KLEIN**. Back row: **I. JOHNSON** and **L. LOHN**.

joyed by all...We extend a welcome to ASHWIN PATEL, graduate student, to the Engineering department...ALICE WIENSKI, former employe, came to visit us during the Christmas holidays with her darling little daughter who had a smile for everyone. It was good to see her looking so well...Get well wishes to JACK O'REILLY who has been ill in the Little Company of Mary hospital and is now recuperating at home. We all miss you, Jack...Our deepest sympathy goes to JOE DUGO and his family on the death of his sister, Mrs. MARIE MUSCARELLO, who passed away on Saturday, January 4...GRACE IACONO spent a week's vacation moving from one apartment to another, and getting settled. She is still in the same block...Congratulations to BUD WOOL on the birth of his second son, BRIAN JOSEPH, on December 24 at Little Company of Mary hospital...HERMAN ANDERS' son, WAYNE, who will graduate from the University of Northern Arizona this month has been home for the holiday season.

(West Shops) -

TOM WOLGEMUTH, superintendent of structures, had a week's vacation at home doing what his wife told him to do. Smart man. Incidentally, he recently became a father for the second time. Tom said he couldn't have received a nicer Christmas present than his new baby girl, KATHRYN LEE...ED HESS, chief clerk, also spent a week of leisure vacationing at home...Track Foreman TONY FRANCISCOVICH retired January 1. He worked for the company 39 years. The men thank you, Tony, for the cigars you gave them, and Ginny and I greatly appreciate the boxes of candy your wife so beautifully wrapped for us. We're sure your retirement will be both a pleasant and happy one...Speaking of retirements, what two hard working laborers are counting the days until their retirement?

- Jeanne Fitzgerald & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

Hi men! We are now well into our new year, and I hope this year brings joy and happiness to all of you. This year we have a new contract which will last for three years. It shows what a fine firm and union we have when both labor and management can come to an understanding so fast... The loss of Supervisor JOHN ANDERSON was quite a blow to all of us. This fine gentleman passed away just before Thanksgiving. The corner of Milwaukee and Central will never be the same. This man was able to operate his post so well that he hardly ever had to use his running cards. He knew when a man was late or ahead of time. He never had a hard word for anyone, was always willing to help, and then he'd do more than was expected of him...A happy and belated anniversary to ED and JUNE SCHURZ, who celebrated their seventh wedding anniversary December 3. Like Ed says, it seems like only yesterday that June agreed to become Mrs. Schurz. Yours truly can't believe that you have seven years behind—of course these past few years you have looked better, so June keep up the good work on the old boy...By the way, RAY GRAY had a birthday December 3. Here's hoping for many more for you Ray...A double celebration was held at the home of BILL DEVITT on November 30. It was North Avenue Operator HERB LINDEMAN's birthday and Bill and his lovely wife, ETHEL, celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary which was on December 2. Bill's son and three daughters and their husbands treated mom and dad to a dinner and theater party later...One of our fine young relief clerks was married

November 9. MICHAEL HOFFERT and the beautiful LINDA RODGERS became one fine couple on this grand day. They had their honeymoon in Williams Bay, Wisconsin. I'll say married life is agreeing with this young man because he sure looks ever so happy. Lots of luck, kids...Our fine friend, BART DAVIS of Forest Glen, has raised 19 foster children in the past six years. At the present time Mr. and Mrs. Davis have four children: PATRICK, 9, WILLIAM, 5, ANDREW, 4, and SHERRY, 6. It's wonderful to hear of a couple with such room in their hearts to be able to share what they have with less fortunate ones. Also, Bart started the new year out as a grandfather. His daughter, GLORIA, had a little girl and the baby was named PAMELA BEDGOOD. Keep sharing Bart, I know the Lord will look over you and yours...Now fellows, let's start letting me have some news this year or else I'll have to give up writing for you.

- *W. A. Henry* (Don't call me Wilbur)

GENERAL OFFICE (Training & Accident Prevention) -

Best wishes for a happy and healthful retirement were extended to THOMAS HOUGH, accident record clerk II, at an open house party on December 30. Tom's wife, JULE, and their son, LARRY, who is a staff member with Blue Cross and Blue Shield, were present and enjoyed their visit with us on this occasion. Tom worked with the former Surface Lines as a conductor-operator from 1929 to 1966. He then transferred to the General Office, working first in the Claim Department and then in the Accident Statistical section. Tom and his wife plan to retire at Lake Havasu, Arizona, where they will find companionship with many other CTA pensioners who have also chosen Arizona for retirement.

(Training) -

WALTER GARBUTT and his wife, BLANCHE, drove to Fort Collins, Colorado, to spend the Christmas and New Year holidays with their daughter, KATHLEEN O'BRIEN (formerly with CTA Technical Services), and her husband, JOHN. Walt reports that this was the best Christmas ever, what with beautiful weather in Colorado, roasting chestnuts in an open fireplace on Christmas eve, and an enjoyable hike to the top of the mountains. Kathleen was anxious to hear all the latest news at CTA and sent back best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year to all her friends at CTA...JOSEPH O'SULLIVAN, training assistant, announced the birth of his third grandchild, a little girl. She was born on December 18 and baptized SUSAN DIANNE on January 19. Her father, JAY O'SULLIVAN, who formerly worked for Methods and Procedures, is the father of Joe's other two grandchildren, DENISE, age 3, and RICHARD, age 2. Jay and his wife, JUDY, arrived at Little Company of Mary hospital at 2:46 a.m. and the baby was born at 2:56 a.m. No wonder little Susan O'Sullivan's initials are SOS.

(Employment) -

JUDY MARTIN was welcomed as a new CTA employe. We are happy to see JACK O'CONNOR back at work after his recent operation.

(Insurance) -

JOANNE FENN returned to Chicago recently from California to be employed again at CTA as a stenographer while her husband is serving with the U. S. Navy. Joanne was awarded a Christmas turkey for submitting a suggestion.

(Employe Relations) -

JERRY MC MANAMON, our enthusiatic railfan, heartily recommends riding the California Zephyr west this year before the month of June when the Zephyr is expected to be retired. Jerry says the scenery is fantastic, especially west of Denver; that the train crews are extremely courteous, and the meals exceptionally good. The points of interest on the Rio Grande railroad segment between Denver and Salt Lake City, plus the scenery on the western end will make this a memorable trip. If you're undecided about a vacation trip in 1969, consider this tip from Jerry.

Sympathy is extended to Transportation Superintendent ROBERT KEAG and his family on the death of his son, ROBERT Jr., who was killed in Viet Nam while serving with the U. S. Marines. Also to the family of Assistant Superintendent LEO TAMUL whose sudden death shocked his associates.

We were pleased to receive greetings from many of our pensioners and to know they are enjoying their retirement. To mention a few, formerly from the General Office: WALTER HELMER, Specifications; MAJOR MELVIN W. BRIDGES, Employment; CHARLIE KERR, Transportation; RUTH SOUTTER; MARIE KRAUSMAN, Transportation, and COLONEL EDWARD J. BLAIR, Engineering.

- *Mary E. Clarke*

KEDZIE -

I hope everyone had a happy holiday season. Your reporter's Christmas was on the sad side. Our son, AUGUST, left for Viet Nam on December 15, but we had an early Christmas party, which was also a farewell party for him...Superintendent E. K. PETERSON had his daughter, son-in-law, and grandchildren home for the holidays. They drove in from Twin Falls, Idaho, and by the time this issue is out, they'll be back home...Operator J. FOLEY had his daughter, BARBARA, spend the holidays with him. Barbara is from Cleveland, Ohio, and she is very pretty. I met Barbara downtown; she was enjoying her stay in Chicago very much. That's what makes the holidays wonderful when friends and relatives get together...Kedzie is not doing to good on accidents. We are falling behind, but if we try a little harder and remember defensive driving at all times, I'm sure we can make a strong comeback in the In-

THIS HAPPY little girl is six month old ANDREA STOLTMAN, the granddaughter of Information Clerk ANDY STOLTMAN. Born on July 3, Andrea is Andy's first grandchild.

terstation competition. So, let's go...Supervisor ROSSIE had a bad mishap. Just how it happened I don't know. He lost part of one finger and smashed two other fingers on his right hand. They said he was checking his automatic snow blower. We wish you a speedy recovery, and all the operators at Union Station say hello to you!..Our deepest sympathy to the following operators and their families: Operator E. SCOTT on the loss of his mother, Mrs. MATTIE SCOTT, who had endured a long illness. Mrs. Scott was laid to rest in Claxton, Georgia; Mrs. F. DAVIS in the loss of her husband, Operator F. DAVIS, who was laid to rest in Queen of Heaven; Operator C. MATTOX in the passing of his wife, after a long illness; Operator J. RICHARDSON in the loss of his mother, Mrs. E. RICHARDSON, who was sick with the Hong Kong flu. She died in Riverside hospital in Kankakee, and lived in Momence, Illinois. She was waked in Chicago, Illinois, and Mr. A. RIZZUTO, foreman of the Repair Department, in the loss of his brother, ANTHONY RIZZUTO, then two days later his father, ANGELO RIZZUTO, passed away...If you want to know why there's a big smile on the face of Repairman M. ROMAS, he just bought a 1969 Caprice Chevrolet. It's a sharp looking car. Happy motoring to you plus loads of luck with your new car.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

Hi, all you Keelerites. Here's hoping that the New Year grants you your fondest wishes. Personally, I have it made already. There are three big companies after me continuously: the gas and light company, the telephone company, and the finance company. Just hope the New Year will allow me to stay two steps ahead instead of the usual one... I think Operator GEORGE BRIESCHKE had better take a quick side step after his wife, PEARL, learns how he has been crowing so loudly over the arrival of his son, GREGORY, December 13. Honestly, I had to ask for mama's name, and remind George that Pearl was remotely involved in the blessed event...Can you imagine some years back when Operator DON SEGAR was considered as a blessed event too? He birthdayed December 20...It's no surprise really, but Operator JOE ESPOSITO's birthday was December 30 (almost the last day in the year)...Operator LEE HALL requested the birthday chimes be sounded for his wife, BERTHA, January 18...Operator A. L. BOOSE soft pedaled his birthday activities January 20. The big happenings weren't til January 27 with all the goodies going to his daughter, SYBIL, on her second birthday...Proud papa LOUIS HAYNES wishes extra loud birthday week for his daughter, JACQUELINE's, her ninth, January 26...Many happy returns to shy (ha-ha) Operator EZEL LINZY, January 27...Boy, is it really one year already for little LAURIE MULCAHEY on January 30. I guess papa, Chief Garage Clerk PATRICK, knows, eh?..Get well wishes from all the fellows to Garageman "Little Dave."..I goofed again. Last month I personally received a request from our only gal, WILLIE B. NAUDEN, to thank each and every Keelerite for their various and numerous considerations during her illness. With Willie B's disability retirement, Keeler has lost its last vestige of glamour...The garage crew has produced two top notch promoters—namely LOU OLANDESE and TONY PORTERACKI. Their latest venture is a big blowout honoring three retiring garage foremen. Again, it's a good deal including a huge family style dinner and all the fringe refreshments you desire. This time even the ladies can participate...Say, I almost forgot to blow all the bus horns, January 29, for the third birthday of SALVATORE A. SCIARA. If I had forgotten, papa SALVATORE M. SCIARA would have seen that I got cold buses all winter...Operator H. BECKER is still beaming because his son, JOHN, a Camp Pendleton leatherneck, was able to spend Christmas with the folks...Some guys have all the luck. Operator FILIPEK returned from a Florida vacation all tanned and rejuvenated, and was greeted with the news that his daughter, DIANE, had become engaged Christmas eve...How's this for company loyalty. Viet Nam Purple Hearter ALLEN JANITO, the son of Operator ALEX JANITO, will be wed January 25 to LYNN TILLS. Lynn is the daughter of Operator HARRY TILLS of Limits...Trainroom interior beautifying technician SY GOLDMAN commemorates 25 years of CTA longevity on February 2...Hey that reminds me, I was 14 CTA years old, January 6, and will be 19 actual years old, February 1. Funny thing, too, since my granddaughter, ADRIENNE, was five years old December 21...Did you hear the latest news? Scheduleman C. FOLKEN went to the barber shop and asked one of the barbers if he was the one who cut his hair the last time. The barber looked Folken over carefully and humbly replied: "O' no sir, I've only been working here three months."..Well gang, till next time.

- Ernest C. Carter

LAWNDALE -

There was a happy reunion in the home of Mr. and Mrs. JOHN DANIEL when their son, Corporal DONALD J. DANIEL, returned home from his tour of duty in Viet Nam. He served with the First Field Artillery Group...Mr. and Mrs. BILL MOSER became grandparents for the "umpteenth" time when their son, JAMES, and his wife presented them with a darling grandson named MARK ANTHONY...Our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT KEAG in the loss of their son, ROBERT K. KEAG, buried December 23. He was killed in action in Viet Nam. Also, to the families of Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT WEST in the loss of his brother, RALPH WEST, buried December 20; CHARLES FABIANO, buried December 7; FRANK DAVIS whose funeral was December 14, and DAVID WHALEN, buried December 31... With the new pension plan in effect, we are losing some of our men. Receiver DAN EIERDAM and Operator LOUIS MAGILL took their pensions on December 1, and ART SATZKE took his pension on January 1. Many happy days of retirement, men. Drop in to see us once in a while...See you later.

- Larry Keating

LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Agent JUNE BAREKMAN enjoyed the Thanksgiving holidays in Florida. The weather was beautiful and she and her girl friend spent some time poolside...Agent DOROTHY FORD and her husband, Conductor LEO FORD, spent their Thanksgiving with a cousin in Milwaukee, Wisconsin...Agent LOUISE DREWS and her husband are enjoying the new mobile home they moved into around Thanksgiving...Porter LESLIE BYRNES is the proud grandfather of an 8 pound 2 ounce baby girl born to his daughter...Our deepest condolences to the family of Agent HAROLD EVANS who passed away suddenly. He always had a smile and a cheery word. We knew him, and know that he was well thought of by his teenage passengers...Agent MILDRED DOYLE enjoyed a

turkey dinner, compliments of the CTA for a suggestion... Clerk DAN DOYLE, Mildred's husband, had surgery on his arm twice in 26 days. He was in the hospital four weeks and is home now recuperating. We hope the New Year will bring him good health...Our long time ticket agents who knew Pensioner MARGE ARNOLD were sorry to hear of her death. She had been ill for many years...MARY DOYLE had a vacation in December but contracted a cold, so she had a nice rest...Douglas route Trainman DARRICK PICKETT has been one proud father since his wife, HELEN, gave birth to little RAQUEL last September 23...At this writing the holidays and all the merry making are over, so now to the snow and cold. That, too, will pass and before you know, we will be picking vacations. We hope everyone has a happy and healthy New Year.

- Helen Pallister

LOOP -

Agent KATHRINE McKENNY is spending the sub-zero weather in sunny Florida. Lucky you!..'Twas the night before Christmas and all was quiet round Tower 18, when all of a sudden a clomp, clomp was heard coming up the stairs and jingle bells were ringing. No, it wasn't Santa, it was jolly JOE VARGO with his big black boots and a reindeer collar around his neck. He was wishing all his friends a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. The same to you, Joe, from one and all...Just received word that Agent ANN CINCETTI has been quite sick; hope by the time this issue is out Ann is back to work and feeling fine... Really feel sorry for Agent FAY CAPRIO. Her daughter and family moved from Hawaii to Alaska. No more nice warm vacations for you, Fay...Janitor C. H. DOTSON spent a few days visiting his cousins in Wisconsin...May I take this opportunity to introduce a new addition to the GEORGE ROHRHUBER family. The little one arrived in time for Christmas eve. She was named HOLLY JOY. She is the cutest little black French poodle. Now George spends his free time training Holly...Ring out the old, ring in the new, ring happy bells across the snow. On New Year's eve at Lake and Wells, an air whistle was heard that sounded like it had a bad cold. We know JOE tried his best, but the whistle was a little frozen. Better luck next year.

- Mildred Doyle

NORTH AVENUE -

Specialist 4 JAMES PARSON, the son of Operator EINAR G. PARSON, has been in Viet Nam for the past four months. Einar's son, WILLIAM, and his wife, JUANITA, gave birth to a son November 15. That makes three grandchildren for Einar. We pray for the safe return of James. We congratulate the family on the birth of the new baby... Congratulations to Operator JAMES DAVIS and his wife, PATRICIA, on the birth of a 7 pound 14 ounce son...Sanitary Engineer JOSEPH HIEBEL took his pension on December 1 after 26 years of service. He plans to take a vacation in Waterville, Maine...Collector THOMAS SHEEHY took his pension on January 1 after 40 years of service. Other January 1 pensioners are: Operator LESTER O'SHEA, Operator HENRY CRESCIO, and Operator LOURING EATINGER. Our very best wishes to all. Be sure to let us hear from all of you...Pensioner ERNEST BOCK and his wife, EMILY, are happy to have their son, BILL, home to stay after his tour of duty in Viet Nam with the U. S. Navy...Our sympathy to Pensioner MAX STRUWE who lost his mother, December 20...We received a welcome letter from Pensioner GUS MAY who is enjoying his pension in Winter Haven, Florida. He says "hello" to all his friends here... Thanks to all my fellow employes who sent me Christmas greetings. Also, I was happy to receive cards from Pensioner ELMER DEEGAN and his wife; Pensioner JOHN SENKO and his wife, JEAN; Pensioner GUS MAY; Pensioner LEO PLUSKOWSKI and his wife, EVELYN; Pensioner ART MOILANEN and his wife, BETTY; Pensioner BARNEY CALLAHAN and his wife, JOSEPHINE; Pensioner FRANK COLEMAN and his wife, MARIE; Pensioner HUGH GARRY; Pensioner ARMIN KOEHN and his wife, GENE; Pensioner HAROLD LEMIEUX; Pensioner BILL ECHOLS, and GERHARD KLAMP, former operator at North Avenue now living in California.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

The personnel at North Park Depot and Garage extend their sympathy to Superintendent and Mrs. ROBERT KEAG and family on the loss of their son, Pfc. ROBERT T. KEAG, who was killed in action while serving in Viet Nam...RONALD CONNOR, the son of Operator JIM CONNOR, received two presidential citations with the bronze star, plus a medical conduct medal for bravery while serving in South Viet Nam. Ron is serving with a medical corps airmobile unit... S/5 FRANK VON SCHWEDLER Jr., son of Operator FRANK VON SCHWEDLER, was released from the U.S. Army after three years of service. Frank served 18 months in Viet Nam, where he was awarded the air medal with 28 clusters, plus the valor and service medals...BARRY BENNETT, the son of Supervisor LARRY BENNETT, returned home for a 30-day furlough from Okinawa where he was serving with the U. S. Army. Barry will return to Sinay, Turkey, after his furlough, where he will be assigned to army intelligence...LAWRENCE BLADES, the son of Supervisor WILLIAM BLADES, was named dean of the University of Kansas Law school. Lawrence, who is 35, has been on the faculty at Kansas since 1964. A graduate of Dartmouth university, he was a baseball and basketball star while attending that school...Operator SIDNEY HUTNICK and his wife, SUE, vacationed at Bonita Springs, Florida, where they had the pleasure of staying at the home of Pensioner CHARLES KERR and his wife, ANN. Sidney reports the Kerrs were gracious hosts. Also on the agenda were stops at Miami, Key West, and considerable time spent deep sea fishing... Operator SEYMOUR HOFFMAN was presented a beautiful Thomas Bel Aire Organ by his wife, FLORENCE, as a Christmas gift. Cy, an accomplished musician, is fast mastering this grand organ. BRUNO MENCARINO is now working at North Park as a sanitary engineer and he looks like a natural at his new position...Pensioner E. H. BURT returned from a hunting trip to Wyoming, where he bagged a large buck deer. E. H. will be happy to serve a dinner to his friends that stop by at Fox Lake for a visit...Pensioner JOE GRASSL and his wife, FLORENCE, report from Edgerton, Wisconsin, that they are still working and serving at the Veterans hospital located at Madison, Wisconsin... Pensioner JOHN ALBERT JOHNSON was hospitalized at Swedish Covenant hospital for major surgery. Mr. Johnson, who resides in St. Petersburg, Florida, is staying with his son, VERNON, while recovering...Mrs. DOROTHY BERROTT, the wife of Collector AL BERROTT, was hospitalized at Illinois Masonic hospital for eye surgery...Operator SIDNEY HUTNICK, who suffered a broken finger during a

robbery, had surgery on the finger when it failed to respond to treatment...Operator JOHN WINKLER became a father for the third time when his wife, PAT, gave birth to a son named WILLIAM KARL, born December 9 at Edgewater hospital, and weighing in at 6 pounds 2 ounces...Operator BURT SCHWARTZ was married on Sunday, November 24, to Miss LINDA ROBBINS at the Fontainebleau hotel in New Orleans, Louisiana. The reception held at the hotel was attended by 100 guests. The young couple honeymooned in the New Orleans area...Operator IRVIN PETERS retired January 1 after 42 years of service. Irvin and the Mrs. will be doing much traveling and expect to find a new home in the future. Operator GEORGE HOFFMAN retired January 1 after 32 years of service. Mrs. Hoffman plans to keep George busy around their suburban home, and we hope Elly isn't too hard on you, George...Happy anniversaries are extended to Instructor WALTER STEINBEISS and his wife, MARY, their 32nd, November 26; Operator SAM POSNER and his wife, ETHEL, their 30th, January 1; Operator BOB WALTERS and his wife, DORCAS, their 32nd, January 1; Operator JOHN EISELT and his wife, LOUISE, January 9; Supervisor LARRY BENNETT and his wife, JULIA, their 28th, January 11; Operator WALTER LINDEMANN and his wife, ELEANOR, their 41st, January 19; Operator DAVE ARREGUIN and his wife, THERESA, their 12th, January 26, and Operator ELI PESTINE and his wife, RUTH, their 34th, January 14...Happy birthdays are extended to Mrs. IDA WEINER December 25, Mrs. EULALIE DOWEY January 10, and Mrs. MARY HOLZMAN January 19...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to the families of Operator ROBERT KUHFAL, ARNIE MARSCH, Pensioner HENRY WILSON, and Chief Clerk HADDON PHILLIPS...Repairman PAUL "on the ball" SCHREVES entertained his neighbors with his annual Christmas concert on his theatre organ.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

Now that the holidays are over, we can go back to our regular routine. Hope all of you had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year...The annual meeting of the North Side "L" Federal Credit Union will be held on February 9 at 3900 N. Damen Avenue at 2 p.m. with dinner and dancing until 6 p.m...We have a few new faces on the North Side which are: Agents L. RODRIGUES and G. HUBBARD; Janitors F. WASHINGTON, J. GRAY, R. GLOVER, and P. MONGE. Those transferring West were: A. RYKACZEWSKI, J. HUNT, and W. GOOCH. Those who came North are: V. MARTIN, H. FALLEK, M. RAFTERY, V. BRADBURY, and L. CAUSEY...Mr. ZUPKO's son, JOHN, made the honor roll recently. Congratulations, John Jr...Many of our agents are having trouble calling the assignment office. Here are some additional numbers to call: 2411, 22411, 411, and 2412...Condolences to the E. MURPHY family on the loss of his mother, also to GEORGE and TINA HENKE on the loss of Tina's aunt...The Murphy family greatly acknowledges with thanks the many kindnesses and mass cards sent from the North Side agents...MARIAN SPARKS was home for three weeks during the holidays with the Hong Kong flu, but is back to work now. She is still weak from it, so we hope no one else gets it...Your scribe called her brother and sister in Florida, and found them all in good health even with the cold weather they have had. Her brother-in-law, DICK BROMBERG (former surface and rapid employe), says hello to all his friends and wishes them a prosperous new year...Agent ANTHONY GRAFFEO and his cousin, ANTHONY HURLEY, Forest Glen bus operator, spent the holidays with their uncle, CHARLES GRAFFEO, "B" Inspector at North Avenue Garage. JO O'SULLIVAN wishes to thank all who sent cards, mass cards, and said prayers while she was in St. Francis hospital...I think it would be nice if some of the old timers who new MAE HANNUM would send her a card at the Illinois State hospital, Ward C. W.-18, c/o Mrs. Abbott...Retiring agents on January 1 were NORA FAHEY and JENNIE MC CLAIN. Good luck to both of you...Former student Ticket Agent 2nd Lieutenant JOHN McEVILLY was home from the marines recently...Last October GLADYS RADCLIFFE who retired about 1960 was in an accident in Minneapolis, and was taken to the hospital with minor injuries. While she was there a pensioner of about 16 years came in for a check up and seeing she was from Chicago began to ask about several agents, FRANCES BINNIE, MAE HARLOW, EVELYN and PAUL LANZ, M. COOK, JO SULLIVAN, and BETTY HAWKINS. His name was HERBERT SWARTZ, who is in his 80's, and showed his riding card which he uses when he comes to Chicago for a visit about once a year. Gladys said he looked good for his age...L. RICHARDSON was transferred from a janitor to a bus operator at North Park. R. STEWART was made a clerk at Kimball. Good luck on your new job, fellows...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. JIM ZEPP, Mr. and Mrs. CLEO DONALDSON, and Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM FITZGERALD on the birth of their babies, all boys too...ORLANDO MENICUCCI is back to work after a long illness. We're glad to see you back...Condolences to Collector STOUT on the death of his sister...Mr. and Mrs. FRED VECK, who now live in Phoenix, Arizona, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on December 21. Congratulations.

- Grace Mounts

OPERATIONS -

When the deer season opened, red was a very predominant color. Sporting the colors of the hunters were RALPH TRACY and his son, RANDY, and seven of their relatives. With this group of men working together the deer didn't have a chance. Between them they got 5 bucks and 2 does. It didn't take Ralph but a few days to set his sights on an eight-point buck and bring him down. He was quite thrilled and even has the pictures to prove it. His son didn't come home empty handed either, as he got himself a doe. All this took place near Rhinelander, Wisconsin...Coming from far and near—California, Carbondale, Illinois, and Villa Park—KEN WILLIAMS' sons, daughter, and their families brought loads of holiday cheer. His home was a very busy but happy place, and a wonderful Christmas was had by all...If you noticed the buttons popping off of THOMAS M. STIGLIC's coat, it was because he became a grandfather for the second time. His new granddaughter, LORA MARICE MOISAND, was born on November 24 and weighed in at 7 pounds 11 ounces. The Christmas season is very joyous, and it was especially so for ELSIE SMITH. She became a grandmother for the seventh time when her daughter-in-law, CONNIE, and her son, FRED, announced the arrival of 6 pound 11 ounce MERI CHRIS SMITH on December 26. Congratulations to the new babies and their families...While we were shivering in our boots and heavy coats, ROBERT TALBOT and his wife, FERROL, and his daughter, DIERDRE, were enjoying the warmth of the sun and beautiful weather in Fort Meyers, Florida. Robert said he spent six delightful days playing golf and got some pretty good scores. They just took it easy, drove around sightseeing,

and hated to return to the cold and snow in Chicago...Starting out the new year as a man of leisure was Information Clerk SAMUEL KELLY who took an early retirement beginning January 1. We wish him the best of luck and much happiness.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

DON, the son of DON EDWARDS, is presently serving in the U. S. Navy. For approximately six months he will be on the U.S.S. Columbus in the Mediterranean and then it will be only one more year before he returns to civilian life...Some of our friends who are sick and off from work are C. DeBOER and D. BOAL. We wish them a speedy recovery and want them to know that we miss them. It makes us happy to know that F. BECKER, H. MACKEY, M. CUMBERLANDER, and R. O'GORMAN have returned to work, and we hope they are feeling much better...Thanksgiving was a very happy day at the home of JAMES J. ROCHE. His daughter, JEAN, and her family returned from Germany where her husband, RICHARD, was stationed while in the U. S. Army. The center of attraction was not the turkey, but little CHRISTOPHER, Jim's grandson...If your looking for a nice place to spend the holidays, just ask Mr. and Mrs. "Pat" PORCELIUS. They vacationed in the beautiful Virgin Islands where the sun was brightly shining and where they didn't have a care in the world...A warm welcome is extended to W. CRIGLER and S. JAVORSKY who just transferred into this department...Wedding bells were ringing in December when MARY EILEEN, the daughter of MARTY DALEY, became Mrs. DANIEL BADON. Congratulations and best wishes to the newlyweds...Our condolences are extended to the families of W. RAKAUSKIS whose mother-in-law recently passed away, and C. GAGE on the death of his father.

(Traffic Planning) -

THOMAS G. LORENZ Jr., traffic planning technician, received that famous greeting from Uncle Sam saying "We Want You." We wish him the best of luck during the two years he will spend in the U. S. Army.

(Transportation Instruction) -

On December 18, Supervising Instructor RAY PRYOR, Surface-South, received the news that his sixth grandchild had arrived. His daughter, AUDREY MC CAIN, a former CTA employe, gave birth to a 6 pound 7 ounce boy named KENNETH RAYMOND.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

MARLENE DAY and her husband, JOE, spent Christmas in Phoenix, Arizona. From there it was on to the beautiful State of Hawaii and 17 days of enjoyment. They visited Honolulu and other neighboring islands, renting a car wherever they were able to so they could see as much as possible everywhere they went. The island of Maui seemed to rate the highest with them. They kept busy by going deep sea fishing, swimming, seeing the marine show, and taking loads of pictures. For the majority of their vacation they had lovely weather. While Marlene was having fun, PATRICIA DUNEK, from Skokie Shops, was filling in for her at work. It was nice to have you with us, Pat...Having a full office force has been pretty difficult lately. Just as JOHN LIPKA returned from checking over the new Flxible buses in Loudonville, Ohio, TOM LYONS and GLENN ANDERSEN left to inspect the new rapid transit cars at the Budd company in Philadelphia...TOM LYONS finally broke down and bought a new car. He is now driving a pale blue Chevy station wagon. With the luggage rack on the roof, he will be able to take more camping equipment on his trips.

- Collette Szczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

CAROL PETERSON, the daughter of IRENE PETERSON of Stores department, became Mrs. RICHARD SEEGER on December 8. Richard, who is presently in the army, will be leaving for duty in Okinawa and his new bride will be accompanying him. So, best wishes and lots of luck to the newlyweds, and congratulations to you, Irene...It's good to see that smiling face of VIRGINIA RZEZNIK again. Virginia returned recently after undergoing surgery. She wishes to thank everyone for all the wonderful cards and get well wishes she received...MARGE HANSON wishes to express her thanks to all who sent cards and gifts to her grandsons who were injured in an automobile accident...The song goes, "There's No Place Like Home for the Holidays", so JANE BELL and her hubby, GEORGE, motored up to Beloit, Wisconsin, to spend Christmas with Jane's sister. Jane is a Badger by birth, specifically Janesville, so anywhere in Wisconsin is home so she says. I have to agree with you, Jane, Wisconsin is a beautiful state. New Year's day also means something special to Mr. and Mrs. G. Bell besides noise makers and Old Father Time—for wedding bells had sounded off for George and Jane on January 1, 27 years ago. Happy, happy anniversary to you both and may there be many, many more New Year days in your lives. Congratulations...One of our buyers, M. FLANAGAN, has a special smile on his face these days. The reason—Marty's son, ROGER, was home on leave from his duty station at Fort Knox, Kentucky. P.S. Marty, how's your cold?..Seems Mr. EDWARD CUMMINGS, Purchasing department buyer, has been making all the news lately. First of all, he spoiled his perfect 40 year service record when the King Kong, oops, Hong Kong flu caught him. Well, Ed, guess you'll have to start on another record. Secondly, Mr. Cummings thought he'd give his wife a hand in the kitchen and show her the correct method of opening a canned ham. Things were going fine until the can got away from him. He tried making a mid air catch of the can, instead the can caught him—he received 14 stitches for his great catch on two fingers of his glove hand. So, Ed, we all hope you're back in shape shortly, and by the way, LEO DUROUCHER says he doesn't need another outfielder. Sorry!..While we dressed like Eskimos and built our fires, REBECCA COUSIN of the "jet set" spent a gloriously warm Christmas holiday with her brother who presently resides in Hollywood, California. ..Our deepest sympathy goes to JUDITH HATON who recently announced her engagement to RODNEY R. RUSAKIEWICZ, our brand new reporter. No, all kidding aside, congratulations Rod and Judy and best wishes always. P.S. They plan to strut down the aisle on September 20, 1969, and I mean strut because they're as happy as can be...Our deepest sympathy goes out to STEPHEN FLAHERTY, Storeroom 48, on the recent death of his son, PETER. Also to KEVIN BARRETT of Stores, South division, on the recent death of his father...The boys in the Stores Department, South division, said goodbye to one of their fellow employes, M. LaCLOCHE, who took his pension on January 1. Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. LaCloche for a long and happy retirement.

- Jane Urso & Rod Rusakiewicz

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

HARRY L. ALBERS, 73, Way & Structures, Emp. 10-13-41, Died 11-29-68
MARGARET M. ARNOLD, 61, West Section, Emp. 3-2-44, Died 11-18-68
ROBERT BARSANTI, 82, Wilson Shops, Emp. 7-2-23, Died 11-20-68
CHARLES F. BAUER, 79, Lawndale, Emp. 2-17-15, Died 12-7-68
WALTER F. BERGMANN, 81, 69th Street, Emp. 7-5-07, Died 11-20-68
FRANK W. BRAMAN, 68, North Avenue, Emp. 12-15-26, Died 11-3-68
JAMES E. BROWN, 72, 77th Street, Emp. 2-1-16, Died 11-28-68
MICHAEL CHUCAN, 77, West Shops, Emp. 3-20-23, Died 2-25-68
AUGUST L. CIROCKE, 74, South Shops, Emp. 4-16-29, Died 11-7-68
JOHN G. DUGGAN, 68, 77th Street, Emp. 9-21-25, Died 11-9-68
CAMILLE M. GILLIES, 83, Accounting, Emp. 2-5-20, Died 9-24-68
PATRICK GRADY, 79, 69th Street, Emp. 11-23-21, Died 11-24-68
JOSEPH S. GURGA, 71, Devon, Emp. 10-28-19, Died 11-8-68
HAROLD G. JOHNSON, 68, North Park, Emp. 9-27-27, Died 11-10-68
GILBERT KELLER, 69, Archer, Emp. 12-13-43, Died 11-16-68
CLARA S. KOCH, 69, Accounting, Emp. 1-5-16, Died 11-17-68
VITO LATROFA, 66, Building, Emp. 2-18-43, Died 11-12-68
PATRICK F. McCOY, 50, 69th Street, Emp. 3-19-47, Died 12-8-68
ALBERT J. McMULLAN, 75, 77th Street, Emp. 9-14-25, Died 11-18-68
BERNARD M. MILKE, 73, Loomis Street, Emp. 8-23-40, Died 10-21-68
GEORGE C. MISKELL, 75, Cottage Grove, Emp. 2-3-20, Died 11-25-68
JOHN J. MOLONEY, 81, 69th Street, Emp. 3-20-17, Died 12-6-68
ERNEST R. MUELLER, 78, Devon, Emp. 3-4-19, Died 11-7-68
VINCENZO PETRANCOSTA, 89, Track, Emp. 11-7-23, Died 11-10-68
HOWIE R. PRATT, 77, Devon, Emp. 3-6-12, Died 10-23-68
FRANK REYNOLDS, 64, South Section, Emp. 6-11-26, Died 10-11-68
ANGELO RIZZUTO, 81, 77th Street, Emp. 5-5-09, Died 12-2-68
MATT RUDDEN, 78, West Shops, Emp. 3-13-43, Died 11-9-68
WILLIAM H. SANDER, 81, West Section, Emp. 4-6-45, Died 12-6-68
ALPHONSE J. SCHMITZ, 64, Skokie Shops, Emp. 11-19-27, Died 11-25-68
MARIE K. SCHOOS, 77, West Section, Emp. 3-11-27, Died 11-30-68
DAVID WALSH, 70, North Avenue, Emp. 12-15-26, Died 11-8-68
CLIFFORD A. WHALEN, 77, North Park, Emp. 1-24-13, Died 11-22-68
THOMAS F. WHITE, 68, West Section, Emp. 7-1-20, Died 11-9-68
HENRY WILSON, 69, District "C", Emp. 7-3-29, Died 11-13-68
MICHAEL ZAWIERUCHA, 81, Wilson Shops, Emp. 11-25-10, Died 11-10-68
AUGUST ZBORIL, 86, Cottage Grove, Emp. 5-29-17, Died 11-16-68

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

CLARK JOHNSON and his wife drove down to Florida to soak up some of that good sunshine...JAKE SUMNER spent a one-week vacation with his sons who were home for the holidays...WALTER THOMAS' daughter, MARILYN, and her husband were home for the holidays...We wish RICHARD POWERS and WILLIAM HANNON many wonderful years of health and happiness. They retired from CTA on January 1...We welcome W. SCOTT and H. HARRIS to the department as outside checkers...Pensioner GEORGE BRYAN sent us a nice letter for Christmas. Thanks, George, we hope you have a nice New Year...The sympathy of the department is extended to the family of RENE PRIMEAU and LOUIS HENDRICKS. Sympathy is also extended to FRANK CORBETT upon the death of his mother.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

Skokie, like everywhere else, has its flu victims. Among those recently returned were GEORGE ARENDT, electrical worker, IVO DI PIERO, carpenter, AL SAMASKA Jr., electrical apprentice, and many others. Our sick list is still long and we wish a speedy recovery to everyone on it... Congratulations to KATHRIN and THOMAS TORREY upon the birth of their second son, GARY JOSEPH, born December 4 and weighing in at 8 pounds 4 ounces. Their other son, PAUL PHILIPPE, was born March 28, 1966...PAT DUNEK, technical services' "Gal Friday", is sorely missed at the Skokie Shops these days. Pat has been filling in for MARLENE DAY, Equipment Research and Development, who is on vacation. Hurry back, Pat.

BROTHER MICHAEL HOGAN, F.S.C., who entered the Order of Christian Brothers four years ago, is now assigned to a teaching post at DeLaSalle High school. Brother Hogan is the son of THOMAS P. HOGAN, relief district superintendent, Operations Control.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SHOPS -

On October 20, Mr. and Mrs. HENRY KOLAR became grandparents for the third time when their daughter, DONNA, presented them with a granddaughter, SHARON ANNE. Their other two grandchildren are ROBERT, age 2, and JAMES, age 1...A son, MICHAEL JOSEPH, was born to Mr. and Mrs. STANLEY KRUSZYNSKI Jr. on November 24, making Welder STANLEY KRUSZYNSKI Sr. a grandfather for the fourth time. Michael is the first boy...Selected as "Soldier of the Quarter" for his outstanding performance of duties was Specialist 5 JAY MAGEE, the son of Mr. and Mrs. DAVID W. MAGEE. Jay is stationed in Stuttgart, Germany, and expects to be discharged in December, 1969.

- Frank Sprovieri

SOUTH SECTION -

Happy New Year to everyone! Now that the holidays are over, let's hope we don't have too severe of a winter...Congratulations to Motorman DONALD KNIGHT who became the proud papa of a baby girl, ANGLIA TRACY, born November 29. This is the first child for the happy Knights...

Here's some good news—Motorman LARRY DeYOUNG, who was on the sick and inactive list for an extended period of time, was finally able to return to work and was transferred to the surface division as a janitor on December 8. Good luck, Larry!..A hearty "hello" to the newly transferred conductors from the North and West Sections: ANTHONY HORN, JOHN KENNEDY, RICHARD SIMS, LEMUEL KEMP, and RONALD COSLEY...Retired Conductor ERNEST HARDWIDGE and Retired Towerman LEONARD DeGROOT stopped in to see the men at 61st Street on their way downtown to the pensioners meeting. They both looked good and send their regards to everyone. Leonard said he won a Thanksgiving turkey from his bowling league for the umpteenth time...All our hearts go out to Motorman LEONARD BEATTY and his wife, Agent MILLYE, in their sorrow over the loss of their son, Leonard Jr., age 19, who was killed in action in Viet Nam. Pfc. Beatty was a reconnaissance scout with the First Air Cavalry Division and was wounded three times during the 21 months he spent in Viet Nam. He received the Purple Heart with 2 citations, and was decorated by the Vietnamese government. Words cannot express how sad we feel for the Beatty family...Congratulations to Switchman VAN MIMS who was promoted to yard foreman on December 8...Retired Supervisor HUGH KELLEY was up from Florida for a Chicago visit and he dropped in to see all of us and we had a nice visit. Hugh looks wonderful and he enjoys living in Florida...The Agent's Pension Club held their Christmas and pension dinner at the Beverly Woods restaurant on December 8 and the honored guest was Agent MAE DRISCOLL who retired in March. Mae's family came and helped her celebrate at the party. Mae had 39 years service and a huge crowd came out to wish her luck and happiness. A remembrance was given to Mae from all her friends. The food was good, and there was a grab-bag, and all the pensioners looked healthy and in good spirits...After being on the sick list for some time, and now back at work are: Motorman DOMINIC CESARE, Work Train Conductor THOMAS SCHWARZ, Conductors JOHN KALTSAS and ROY BOETTCHER, Switchman JOSEPH TRIBETT, and Agents WILLIE WARDEN and CHARLES GRIFFITH...Congratulations to Retired North Section Conductor FRED BECK and his wife, ETHEL, on their 50 years of married bliss, December 21. The Becks live in Phoeniz, Arizona...Agent ALFRED HYLAND, who was on the sick list for several months, passed away recently. All his co-workers will miss him. Our sincere condolences to the Hyland family...Good luck to Agent MARION LOVE who was transferred to the Shops and Equipment Department recently...Motorman JOHNNIE TOLSON is mighty proud that he is head football coach of the Ascension Warriors team of Harvey, a group of boys 10 to 14 years old. His son, VALENCIA, plays back on the team and his younger son, MERWIN, is team mascot. The Warriors ended the season with a record of 4 and 4. Johnnie says next year will be even better...Agent GERALDINE RAYMOND wishes to thank everyone for being so kind and helpful to her after her house was destroyed by fire. She said everyone has been just wonderful to her...We were shocked to hear of the sudden passing of Retired Motorman PAUL BOETTCHER. Everyone will miss seeing Paul around Loomis Street. Also, Retired Conductor ROBERT WARFORD passed away recently. Our sympathy goes out to their families...Hi, to newly hired Agents: SHIRLEY ANDERSON, ANNIS ANDERSON, CONSTANCE MURPHY, MARY HURDLE, WILMA TOLBERT, LOWENA MARTIN, and ALESIA ROUNDTREE...Received a card from Retired Assistant Station Superintendent ARTHUR ANDERSON and his wife, HELEN, from Sun City, Arizona. They really like Arizona. Then they were off to California for the holidays to see the Rose Bowl parade and game on New Year's day, and then return to Phoenix for a few more weeks. Doesn't that sound like a nice winter vacation?..Condolences to Clerk JOHN MULLIGAN on the recent loss of his mother, and to Supervisor DONALD MURPHY on the loss of his mother...Received a nice letter from Mrs. GRABE, the wife of Retired Motorman ALFRED GRABE, and she told us that Al was recently in the hospital for an eye operation and is now home and doing fine. He will return to the hospital in several months for another eye operation. He would like to hear from all of his friends. Here's his address—Silver Saddle Motel, 128 N. College Street, Mt. Home, Arkansas 72653. Before his operation, they had a visit from ARTHUR ANDERSON and his wife on their way to Arizona. The Andersons also visited Retired Motorman CHARLES McMORROW and his wife...Conductor RONALD McKINNEY received a passenger commendation recently for finding a woman's lost purse, and Agent DOROTHY McGEE was commended for her thoughtfulness and courtesy...Received a nice card from Retired Switchman ROBERT JOHNSON and his wife who live in St. Petersburg, Florida. They said to say "hello" to everyone and that they are getting along OK...At this writing Collector RAY NORMAN and Agent ANN O'CONNOR are on the sick list. Here's hoping for a speedy recovery.

- Verna Hartney

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Welcome back to A. KUNZ, Congress, who was off on the sick list...Wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to A. COSENTINO, Congress, who is off for a double hernia operation...Everyone at Congress is waiting for their invitation to the open house at LARRY MONAGHAN's new home in Park Ridge...To prepare for the holidays and for time to recuperate from all the eating and parties, C. HASLAM and W. THORNTON, Congress, took vacation leaves...EDWARD IZZO, the son of H. IZZO, Congress, was graduated from Great Lakes Electronic school and was assigned to submarine service at New London, Connecticut. Herman is awaiting the arrival of his other son, RONNY, from a tour of duty in Viet Nam...Welcome to Repairman J. HOBBS who transferred from Forest Park to Congress...The CTA American Legion Post held their annual Christmas party for the members and their children. Santa stopped in with presents for all, and special goodies for the kids, and "pop" for the adults.

- Ray Brzeczek

WEST SECTION -

Though it's past Christmas time, here's hoping that your Christmas was a joyous one. We had our Christmas party on the Lake Street and it turned out a success. Not even a crumb was left for old jolly St. Nick. Speaking of the old, our own father time, SANTO SICILIANO, has turned the hour glass upside down. To ring out the old year, he has allowed this kid, LOU PAYNE, to help him to ring in the new year. So, we both wish to extend the very best to all for a (we got a raise) prosperous new year...Now for items of the past and the present. First of all, our congratulations go out to J. COAKLEY on his marriage to a cute young lady named WINIFRED. The best of luck to both of you...F. MEAD was off for an operation. But as Fred says, it was not a removal of his knowledge knot, but an improve-

ment to his appearance...That nasty flu bug made in Hong Kong bit D. WILSON, S. KOSMA, and J. PRINCE. The guys have made it back to work now...Best wishes to DAVE ARNOLD on his retirement to his new home in Florida...R. RAMSEY, along with his wife, BARBARA, celebrated his birthday. LAURA and B. DAVIS, with CAROL and J. CLAY helped to make it a happy event...Now for a sad note. We lost one of our finest when HARRY SAFRANEK passed away. It was a privilege to have worked with him. We all extend our condolences to his wife and family. Pensioner FRANK FALVEY recently passed away and we would like to send our condolences to his family. Our condolences to J. HOLAKOVSKY on the recent death of his sister...A man with the words is our own G. CLARK who was the toastmaster for the Toastmasters International's dinner recently...How about C. J. JONES who made a radio appearance for the CTA and did a great job. Now he wants to join the entertainers union...After looking under a magnifying glass, we found what was hidden above Supervisor JACK TAGLER's upper lip. I better say it looks good or I won't get any more students...Hear this, Switchman CANO spent his holidays in Mexico visiting relatives and he met Pensioner GLEN KINZIE traveling through Mexico. Cano is telling everyone what Kinzie ran over—and it's not a chicken or a dog, but a horse. We can't get over it, a horse...Guys who got their Christmas presents early were P. HUGGINS and J. JOVANOVICH. They both got real cars, but they act as if they never had a toy before. T. PATTERSON got a cute little compass with the high top boots he bought...I have to apologize to ZIG KOPCZYNSKI for not adding his name to the fine Polish workers we have. He keeps insisting he is a fine worker and we agree. And let's hope his wife gets out of the hospital soon, as Zig sure misses her...In case you haven't notice that the column is better, it's because I have LOU PAYNE writing it with me. He didn't have to march in front of my train so he could help write this column. After reading what he wrote, I might have to do something, for he really is good. So, send items to Lou and me so we can do a better job of reporting.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

69TH STREET -

It has been lean pickings for news Mrs. YOUNG, but old Hedda gave it a real try...The credit union appointed TOM REILLY and TOM COOK to the supervisory committee. Although I'm writing before the big meeting of January 17, I just know everything turned out fine and all had a great time...A big hand to our Union (241) and CTA for the best contract we have had to date. So what do you say we give our riders the best transit service in the country...The weather has been rough but let's drive defensively and cut down the accident rate. Instructor SWANSON says he might buy coffee for every one if we do...Poor WALLY NEWTON had to wash down the pantry for his wife one Monday. He said his wife had more food stuff in there than a super mart...It certainly was good to see CHARLEY POWERS, collector, back to work in December. He had been off since June...Everyone who saw M. J. HENEHAN said he looked as fit as a fiddle. You know, he had to go all the way to Ireland to have his heart attack...FOSTON was struck by a police squadrol in front of the depot one morning. He is doing fine now, but let's all be a little more careful...Even HANK RESCH had to get into the act. He broke his leg but is doing fine. All you fellows on the sick book hurry and get well because little MIKE and FRALE can't work all the runs...You could hardly talk to R. DAVIS last December 17. You see, his son had just become a daddy. Many happy returns, fella. TOM PRICHARD took his pension the first of the year. We hope that everyone on pension is in the best of health and enjoying themselves. That includes JOE BRADY down there in sunny Florida. Drop me a line fellows and get your name in print in this column...The saddest part of this job is to try to say how much you and I are going to miss those who have gone on to see their maker, such as C. E. COUGHLIN and LEO TAMUL. All we can say is that their families have our deepest sympathy...JIMMY AHERN of the repair department told me that CHESTER LEWANDOWSKI paid a visit and is looking fine. Chester retired recently and had gone to Wisconsin where he caught a lot of big fish...GENE BOSCO, HENRY QUINN, and TONY KAZAITIS also paid a visit. To them and all the other pensioners, like JOE GAMEN down in Florida, many happy New Years for years to come...To Mr. and Mrs. JERRY KRASOWSKI, who were recently married, congratulations and many years of happiness and health...We offer our sincere sympathy to JIM DONALDSON who lost his brother, BILL, and to the families of GEORGE ROSAEK and JOHNNY (Baldy) MALONEY, our former board member. Our condolences also to the DON SCHEID family. He passed away in California. He is the brother of RAY SCHEID... Let's all work together in the repair department and keep the buses in tip top shape so that the operators have only the best equipment to drive. Who knows, maybe they'll invite us up for coffee when they win the safety award. Keep 'em rolling.

- Arthur P. Buesing

77TH STREET -

Happy New Year to all of you from all of us at 77th Street. First, let us thank all who came to the rescue of Mrs. MOSS just before Christmas. You see, Operator MOSS was shot in the head during a robbery, and at this writing, he is doing fine in Hines hospital...Assistant Station Superintendent LEO TAMUL passed away January 1. We at 77th Street send our deepest condolences to his family. Mr. Tamul had been with CTA since March 13, 1943... Mrs. BEVERLY ARMSTEAD, the daughter of Operator OLIVER CHILES, was operated on December 10. We hope it was a success...Operator HEZEKIAH KNOWLES lost his mother at the age of 88. She lived in Jamaica, West Indies. ..Operator L. SANDERS is back. He was off a year and a half because of acid being thrown in his face...Between NICHOLSEN and HUIZENGA, the sisters at St. Xaviers college are praying overtime. We heard on good word that some of the nuns are threatening to leave the order...We were glad to see former Dispatcher JACK KRAUSE looking hale an hearty on his recent trip from Florida. WANDA is a brave girl to let him go alone...Supervisor WILLIE FLYNN is taking driving lessons on how to pull in and back out of his driveway without tearing up his lawn...Operator MICHEL BAPTISTE is back after a two-week bout with the Hong Kong flu. Don't know who won, but he seems to be a bit faster on the street now...Operator ROY SHORES took his son, JEFFERY, on a shopping trip to celebrate his seventh birthday, January 12. He found that he didn't want much, just a diamond ring with his initials in it...Boy, the car thieves are still operating around this station, so please lock your car and take the keys with you. Don't do like AMOS Jr., he locked his car an left the keys inside. Guess who missed?

- Amos Foster & Julius Brazil

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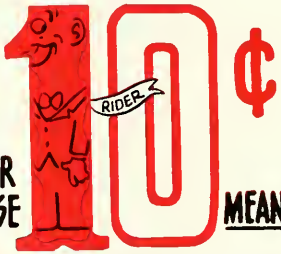
WE DEPEND ON HIM, AS NUMBER ONE TO MAKE OUR RECENT FARE INCREASE 

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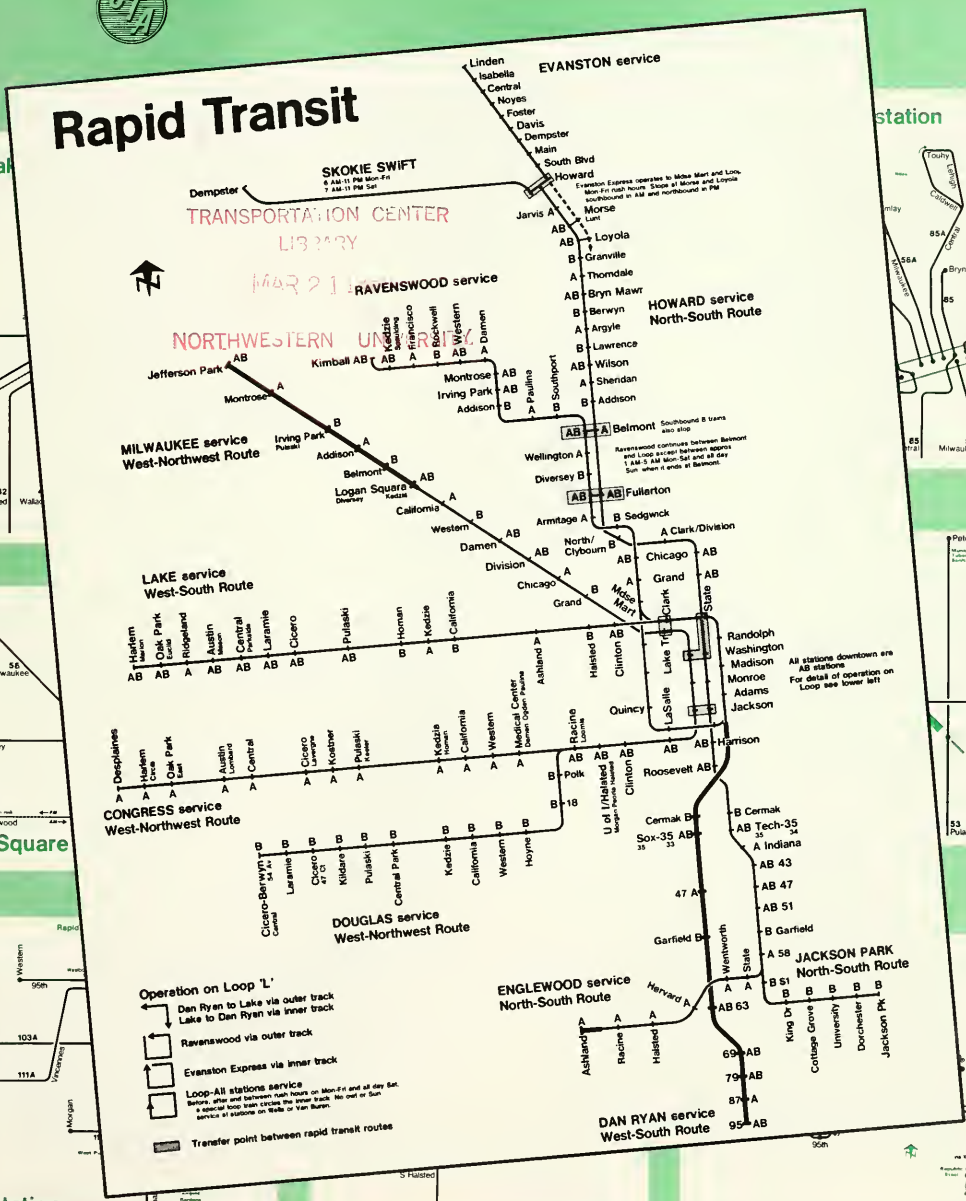


News Briefs

Good Samaritan in CTA Gray Identified as Forest Glen Operator

SEEKING TO learn the identity of an off-duty CTA employe who aided an elderly woman, Transit News recently published a plea on behalf of the family which wanted to express its gratitude for the man's assistance and concern. The employe, who performed his act of kindness without any thought of recompense, was subsequently identified as Forest Glen Operator Ronald Neese. Operator Neese received a $50 savings bond and a letter of appreciation which read, in part, "We will always remember you and be eternally grateful for the sympathy and care you showed to my sister when she needed help so badly."

27-year Employe Retires, but CTA Stays in Her System

A TICKET agent who retired February 1 after 27 years of service with CRT and CTA recently wrote to Mrs. Bernice T. Van der Vries, the only woman on the Chicago Transit Board. In her letter to Mrs. Van der Vries, North Section Agent Emma Rennhack said, "I have applied for retirement, but I know I will never get CTA out of my system. I have enjoyed working for them, have always been proud to be a part of the organization and to be a 'Good Will Ambassador' for them."

Happy Birthday to CTA's Oldest Pensioner

ON BEHALF of all CTA employes, active and retired, the Transit News staff takes this opportunity to wish a happy birthday to John D. Coates—CTA's oldest pensioner—who was 97 on March 6. Mr. Coates retired as a motorman at 69th Street station during December, 1941, after 35 years' service with Chicago Surface Lines.

Recovering After Heart Attack, Shopman Writes to Thank Co-workers

INCLUDED IN the January CTA Transit News was an article relating the incidents which occurred when Car Repairman Albert A. Long suffered a heart attack while at work on December 30. It described the actions taken by Matthew Coyle, assistant day foreman at Congress Terminal Shop, and the Forest Park Fire Department which resulted in saving the life of Mr. Long. Now at home and improving rapidly, Mr. Long wrote in a recent letter to Transit News, "My family and I would like to publicly express our deepest gratitude for the wonderful help and cooperation that I received from everyone—especially the shop supervisory personnel. We wish to add our very special thanks to Matt Coyle who has been, and always will be, more than a friend."

'67 Snowstorm Memories

IT HAS been two years since the big snowstorm paralyzed Chicago, but the memories of that storm linger in the minds of almost every Chicagoan--and especially in the mind of an unknown bus operator who spent the night in the Loretto hospital lobby. To show his appreciation for the courtesies which were extended, he recently contributed $2 to the hospital building fund. Because the letter of transmittal was merely signed, "A bus driver from Forest Glen," proper recognition could not be given. Instead, the receipt was sent to F. C. Knautz, CTA superintendent of public and employe relations, with an accompanying letter from Henry B. Scott, Loretto hospital director of development public relations. The letter stated, in part, "Perhaps you could express the great appreciation of all of us at Loretto hospital, not only for this nice gesture, but for the exceptional service our employees consistently receive from your drivers."

RECENT CTA ADDITIONS TO THE ARMED FORCES

BARR, F. L. Jr., Serviceman, 77th Street
BILLIS, J. F., Comb. Clerk, Instr. & Squad Car
BUBAN, L. J., Serviceman, 77th Street
COLUCCI, A. P., Serviceman, North Avenue
HUNT, W. J., Operator, North Avenue
JOHNSON, H. Jr., Repairer, 77th Street
LORENZ, T. G., Jr. Traf. Plan. Tech., Transportation
MOORE, O. L., Operator, Limits
PEDERSOLI, M. A., Repairer, 77th Street
SKORUPSKI, W. R., Serviceman, North Park
VINE, J. L. Jr., Serviceman, Beverly
WARCHOL, S. E., Repairer, Limits
ZALCBERG, A., Ticket Agent, North Section

RECENTLY RETURNED

GRIGSBY, L. B., Operator, 77th Street
HANDY, R. S., Repairer, North Avenue
HARDY, J. L., Operator, North Avenue
HARMON, B. L., Operator, North Park
HUNT, C. M., Serviceman, Archer
MILLER, R., Operator, North Park
MITCHELL, L. A., Serviceman, 77th Street
MOSS, J. O. Jr., Serviceman, Keeler
O'GRADY, J., Conductor, North Section
PARNELL, L. A., Operator, North Avenue
SCATCHELL, J. M., Security Officer, Security
SETTLES, R. H. Jr., Operator, 77th Street
STEMMLER, J. G., Repairer, 77th Street

Transit Board Approves Changes Affecting 54 CTA Bus Routes

Buses to Serve New Rapid Transit Stations (see pages 4 to 7)

TO COMPLEMENT the three new rapid transit extensions, making them accessible to the greatest number of CTA riders, Chicago Transit Board at its February 6 meeting authorized changes affecting 54 bus routes to serve the new stations. The revised routings will become effective with the opening of the new facilities later this year.

"Since the turn of the century, the rapid transit system in its own private right-of-way has been the most dependable means of public transportation in Chicago. Now it will play an even greater role with the inauguration of service on three new extensions," said Board Chairman George L. DeMent. "The bus route changes will make these high-speed services convenient to thousands of riders who now do not have ready access to rapid transit. Travel to and from the Central Business District from almost all areas of the city will be greatly improved as well as travel to and from intermediate points. In addition to enjoying the modern facilities of the new rapid transit, riders will be able to shorten their travel time by 30 minutes or more.

"Basic in all of the current rapid transit extensions is the obvious perference of the transit rider for rapid transit over bus," continued Mr. DeMent. "Speed and dependability under urban traffic conditions are becoming daily more significant in adding to the advantages of the trains. The current projects are designed to upgrade CTA service by replacing, to the maximum extent practical, bus with train. To make this idea economically viable, passengers must be won over from bus to rail for as much of their mileage as possible. This means changing of bus routes to focus into, rather than to parallel, the rail lines," concluded Mr. DeMent.

The three rapid transit projects being built by the City of Chicago are: the extension of the Englewood route from Loomis boulevard to Ashland avenue; the Kennedy extension of the West-Northwest rapid transit route from Logan Square to Jefferson Park, and the Dan Ryan route between 95th street and the Loop.

In general, bus lines in the vicinity of rapid transit stations are being routed directly to the stations where a convenient transfer may be made for continuation of trips via rapid transit.

At many locations, buses will load and unload in off-street areas adjacent to the station entrance where weather-protected waiting areas will be available. Escalators at all 16 of the new stations will carry people to and from the train platforms.

When the Dan Ryan rapid transit extension is opened, it will be through-routed with the Lake route to form the new West-South route, which will carry riders between 95th-State and Harlem-Lake, Forest Park, without transferring.

Listed on the following pages are bus routes which will serve new stations on the three rapid transit extensions. Included are many new routes which result from changes to present bus services.

Among the major changes are revisions to three bus routes which will no longer directly serve downtown Chicago—the 152 Addison, 76 Diversey, and 6 Garfield. Eight other routes will be split to provide smaller, more dependable services operating to terminals at new rapid transit stations, including the 4 Cottage Grove, 85A Foster-Central, 92 Foster-Northwest Highway, 82A Kedzie-Homan, 81 Lawrence, 56 Milwaukee, 86 North-Narragansett-Irving Park, and 36A State. In addition, trolley buses presently operating on the 85 Central and 81 Lawrence routes will be replaced by motor buses.

Three express bus routes now operating in the same expressways where rapid transit facilities are under construction will be affected also. The 19 Devon-Northwest Express, now using the Kennedy Expressway, and the 111A Vincennes-111th Express, now using the Dan Ryan Expressway, will both operate from present outer terminals to new rapid transit stations. Limited-stop 36A State service via the Dan Ryan Expressway will be discontinued.

Bus routes serving stations on the Englewood and Kennedy extensions are described on pages 4 and 5. Descriptions of bus routes serving stations on the Dan Ryan extension appear on pages 6 and 7.

Englewood Extension

A new terminal station will be opened at 63rd & Ashland replacing the present 63rd & Loomis station. Connecting bus service will be provided by the following CTA routes:

Ashland station

9 Ashland—serves station directly.

45 Ashland-Downtown—revised operation via Ashland replacing present service on 59th, Loomis and 69th.

49A South Western—new service extending certain weekday rush hour buses north of the present 79th street terminal via Western, 63rd, and through station area. Limited stops only between Western-79th and Ashland station.

63 63rd—revised operation through station area and continuing on 63rd.

110 Marquette—revised operation via Marquette, Ashland, and then through station area replacing present service to Loomis station.

Kennedy Extension

The northwestward extension of CTA's West-Northwest rapid transit route will provide service to new stations at Logan Square (replaces present station), Belmont, Addison, Irving Park, Montrose, and Jefferson Park. Connecting bus service will be provided at each station, as follows:

Logan Square station

56 Milwaukee—revised to operate between Jefferson Park station and Downtown. Present rush hour limited stop service via Milwaukee and 19 Devon-Northwest Express via Kennedy Expressway replaced by rapid transit extension and 56A bus serving Jefferson Park.

76 Diversey—service via Diversey as at present between Harlem and Lake Shore Drive (76 service via Stockton-Lake Shore-Michigan is discontinued). Present weekday rush hour Logan Square routes revised to serve new station.

82 Kimball-Homan—a new route consolidating present 82 Kimball route with south portion of present 82A Kedzie-Homan route (no Sunday service between Diversey and Lawrence).

93 North California—service via Howard, California, Foster, Kedzie, and into station area replacing the portion of the present 82A Kedzie-Homan route north of Logan Square.

Belmont station

77 Belmont—serves station directly.

82 Kimball-Homan—serves station directly, see listing under Logan Square station.

Addison station

152 Addison—serves station directly (152 service via Sheridan-Lake Shore-Michigan is discontinued). Limited stop service eastbound in weekday a.m. rush only, Cicero to Kennedy rapid transit.

Irving Park station

53 Pulaski—serves station directly.

80 Irving Park—serves station directly.

80A West Irving Park—new service from Pueblo via Irving Park to Kennedy rapid transit in weekday rush hours replacing and extending Irving Park portion of present 86 North-Narragansett-Irving Park route. Limited stops only between Neenah and Kennedy rapid transit.

Montrose station

14 Devon-Cicero—revised operation extending service to Kennedy rapid transit via Cicero and Montrose.

78 Montrose—serves station directly.

Jefferson Park station

56 Milwaukee—revised to operate between Jefferson Park station and downtown. See also route 56A.

56A North Milwaukee—revised operation replacing northwest portion of present 56 Milwaukee route and the Devon-Ozanam portion of the 19 Devon-Northwest Express weekday rush hour service.

64 Foster-Lawrence—(replacing Foster portion of present 85A Foster-Central service and portion of 81 Lawrence west of Milwaukee) new service operating to and from Kennedy rapid transit in a loop via Milwaukee, Foster, Canfield, Lawrence/Gunnison. Bus marked 64R operates clockwise; bus marked 64L operates counter-clockwise. Certain 64R trips continue to Pueblo-Irving Park in rush hours.

68 Northwest Highway—revised operation extending Northwest Highway portion of present 92 Foster-Northwest Highway route to Kennedy rapid transit. See also route 92.

81 Lawrence—revised operation extending service to and from east via Milwaukee to Kennedy rapid transit. Motor buses will replace trolley buses. See also route 64.

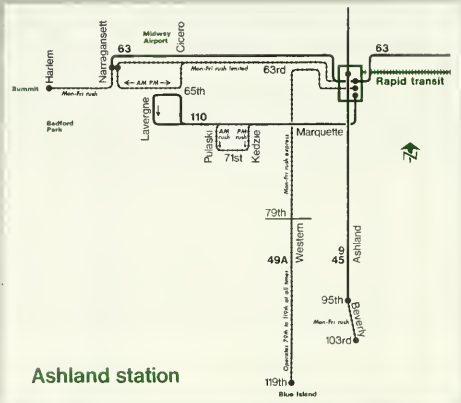
85 Central—revised operation via Central, Lawrence, Linder, Gale, through station area, Milwaukee, and continuing on Central. Motor buses will replace trolley buses.

85A North Central—revised operation extending Central avenue portion of present 85A Foster-Central route via Milwaukee to Kennedy rapid transit. See also route 64.

88 Higgins—serves station directly.

92 Foster—revised operation extending Foster portion of present 92 Foster-Northwest Highway route via Milwaukee to Kennedy rapid transit. See also route 68.

Englewood Extension



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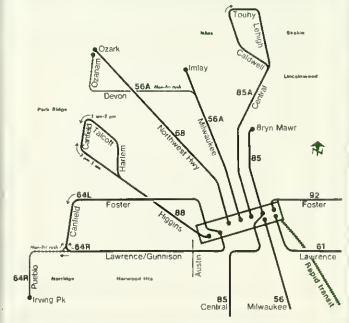

Dan Ryan Extension Coincident with the inauguration of rapid transit service, trains will be through-routed with the present Lake route serving all stations on Lake street, Loop stations on Lake and Wabash, and new Dan Ryan stations at Cermak, Sox-35, 47, Garfield, 63, 69, 79, 87, and 95. Connecting bus service will be provided at each station, as follows:

Cermak station

21 Cermak—serves station directly.

22A Wentworth—service revised to contact station directly in both directions.

42 Halsted-Downtown—service revised to operate via Archer, Cermak, and Clark to serve station directly.

44 Wallace-Racine—weekday service revised to operate via Archer, Cermak, and State to serve station directly. Saturday-Sunday operation revised extending service via Archer and Cermak to Dan Ryan rapid transit.

45 Ashland-Downtown—weekday rush hour service revised to operate via Archer, Cermak, and Clark to serve station directly.

62 Archer—local and express service via Archer.

Sox-35 station

22A Wentworth—serves station directly.

35 35th street—serves station directly.

47 station

22A Wentworth—serves station directly.

47 47th street—serves station directly.

Garfield station

22A Wentworth—serves station directly.

55 Garfield-55th street—present 6 Garfield and 55 55th street routes consolidated to serve station directly (6 services via Dan Ryan, Michigan-Indiana discontinued).

63 station

22A Wentworth—serves station directly.

63 63rd street—serves station directly.

69 station

30 South Chicago Express—revised operation extending service via 69th to Dan Ryan rapid transit (instead of to King/63 station, Jackson Park rapid transit).

36A State—serves station directly. Present 36A via Dan Ryan replaced by rapid transit and 34 bus at 95 station.

67 67th-69th-71st street—serves station directly.

71 71st street—revised operation extending service via State to Dan Ryan rapid transit.

79 station

36A State—serves station directly, see 36A listing under 69 station.

42B South Halsted—revised operation extending service via 79th to Dan Ryan rapid transit (does not stop between Halsted and Perry).

79 79th street—serves station directly.

87 station

36A State—serves station directly, see 36A listing under 69 station.

87 87th street—serves station directly.

95 station

4A Pullman—revised operation extending portion of Cottage Grove service south of 95th via 95th to Dan Ryan rapid transit.

34 South Michigan—revised operation consolidating present Riverdale route with portion of present 36A State route south of 95th. Provides direct service from both 138-Indiana and 119-Morgan to Dan Ryan rapid transit.

36A State—revised to operate between 95 station and Grand avenue. See also route 34 above. Present 36A service via Dan Ryan replaced by rapid transit.

95 83rd-95th street—serves station directly.

103A West 103rd street—new service extended from west portion of present 103 103rd-106th route via Michigan and 95th to Dan Ryan rapid transit weekdays, a.m. rush, midday, p.m. rush. Does not stop between 103rd and 95th.

111A Vincennes-111th Express—revised operation extending service via 95th to Dan Ryan rapid transit weekdays, a.m. rush, midday, p.m. rush. Limited stops only between Vincennes and 95 station. Present 111A service via Dan Ryan replaced by rapid transit.

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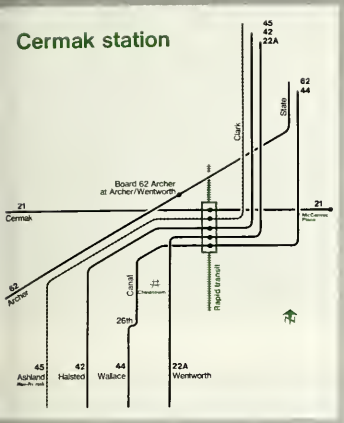
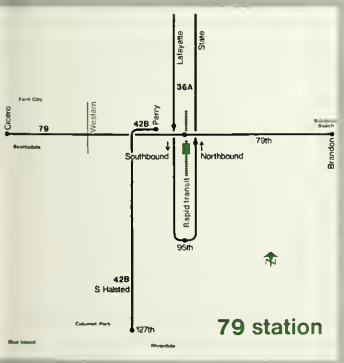
ROUTINGS OF CTA bus lines which will serve the three new rapid transit extensions are described in a leaflet issued recently by CTA. Copies of the leaflet may be obtained by writing CTA Public Information Department, P.O. Box 3555, Chicago, Illinois 60654, or by telephoning 664-7200, extension 805.

Dan Ryan Extension





MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin, CTA Medical Consultant

OUR HANDS—MAN'S MOST USEFUL TOOLS

THERE IS an old saying that our face mirrors our feelings and physical condition. Did it ever occur to you that our hands can do the same thing, and just how useful they are?

Each day, one uses the hands in many different ways: dialing a telephone, steering a car, writing letters, signing checks, turning on a television, lighting cigarettes and even more importantly—preparing our food and feeding ourselves at each meal. Our hands are not limited to routine tasks, they can be trained to accomplish miraculous feats. The Braille system used by the blind is a good example of this outstanding performance.

Anatomically, I mention briefly that in the two hands there are 54 bones, 38 sets of muscles and 10 fingers. Extra digits are not uncommon. There are also numerous nerves, blood vessels, tendons, and ligaments which help to make the hands most useful tools.

The appearance of the hands tell much about illness, disease, injury, and human behavior. For example:

Rheumatoid arthritis produces a characteristic appearance and deformity of the finger joints which is unmintakable evidence of the disease.

Eczema and various other types of dermatitis of the hands are reflected by just looking at the hands.

Color of the hands often betray the existence of certain circulatory diseases.

Appearance of nails tells much about systemic disease and also about nervous habits such as nail biting.

Another example of diagnostic aid or help is the hand picture of shriveled-up or atrophied muscles in certain nerve diseases.

At the time of birth, the finger of a little baby will clutch and pluck at the hands of the obstetrician with much strength and insistence. From this dramatic moment of birth until the fingers finally relax in the repose of death, the hands of a human being, directed by the brain, will chiefly determine whether the individual is a success or failure.

The brain, or that portion of the brain which controls the action of our hands, is a very important mechanism. No other part of the body is so intimately associated with human behavior.

The hands mirror our feelings and emotions. For example, anger may be shown by clenching the fists, anguish by clasping the hands, and worry by wringing them together. Nervous habits such as nail biting. scratching the fingers, or drumming the fingers on a table may indicate impatience. Tremor of the hands may be an indicator of disease such as hyperthyroidism or alcoholism.

With our hands, we work, play, love, heal, learn, communicate, and by writing express our feelings and create great works of art and industry. We shake hands with others to show our faith, love and friendship.

Because our hands are put to so many uses, they are often the seat of infection and injuries such as lacerations, burns, and fractures. Statistics show, and naturally so, that the hands are by far the most frequently injured part of the body. About one fifth of the total 2 billion dollars paid out yearly for compensation claims is for hand injuries.

Time prevents any further comment on this subject. I am sure you will agree that our hands are very important in our daily life. Take good care of your hands and see your doctor if any abnormality is noted.

JESSE CINKUS, operator (with reporter Larry Keating): "I plan on doing some traveling, and following up some of my hobbies."

ARTHUR ADAMS, operator (top left): "Yes, I have been receiving and keeping savings bonds. Upon entering the air force nine years ago I started saving them and continued until discharged."

STANLEY HYERCZYK, operator (left): "I have, but with eight years to go for my pension, I just won't count my chickens before they're hatched. But I will enjoy myself while I am thinking about it. I will keep taking my five grandchildren to the ballgames and all sports they like. If the day comes when I am eligible for my retirement, I will go to the country life that I have always been accustomed to."

DOM PAPA, operator (right): "I have nine years to go yet. If the Lord is willing, I am going to sit down, take it easy, and enjoy my retirement."

ROBERT FENRICK, operator (left): "I decided to buy more U.S. Savings Bonds not only through the company, but where I bank too. My children are almost grown up and as I find myself growing older I realize how important it is to provide a little more security for the future."

QUESTION:

Have you made any specific plans for your retirement?

INQUIRING REPORTER:

Larry Keating

LOCATION:

Lawndale Station

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (Tabulating) -

Congratulations are in order for PAULINE TORREY and her husband, PHILLIPE, on the birth of another grandson, GARY JOSEPH TORREY, who was born on December 4 and weighed in at a hefty 7 pounds 10 ounces. Proud father, THOMAS, works at Skokie Shops...Sincere sympathy is extended to the family of PAT SCHOENBAUM on the loss of her grandmother, Mrs. ANNA MICHALSKI.

(Payroll) -

The 18th annual General Office Federal Credit Union meeting was held in the cafeteria on January 24. The Accounting Department was well represented in committees and attendance. Refreshments were served and door prizes awarded. Accounting Department winners of $10 door prizes were: ANN SLOAN and CLOTILDE MRZENA; $5 door prizes were won by BARNEY KANE, MARY BLACKMORE, and JERI LA VINE...For those winter blues, how about getting reacquainted with your museums, zoos, conservatories, and libraries which Chicago has in such a wonderful variety?..This is your scribe's last column for the Accounting Department as I am transferring to the Public Information Department as service clerk. Writing for this column has been a lot of fun, and I will miss it, but I am looking forward to new adventures in my new job.

- Eileen Neurauter

BEVERLY -

We thought the Christmas spirit had ended, but Operator BEN THOMAS has the kindness to keep it alive. He donated another ten cartons of cigarettes for the patients at Tinley Park State hospital. Thanks, Ben. If we ever want to see peace in this world of ours, we must keep hope alive in our men and women, because a man without hope is a man with out dignity...We also take our hats off to Supply Truck Driver WALTER WANGEROW who took the time and effort to donate another big box of clothes for the girls at Tinley Park State hospital...Pensioner ERNEST TOCCI is still teaching latin at Mount Carmel High school, and every year he takes his students to Notre Dame for the retreat. Reverend MICHAEL FORAN has weekend retreats all year at the Fatima House. If you wish to make a retreat, contact your scribe or Ernie, and we will be glad to give you dates that are open for men and women...We express our sympathy to HARRY LEWIS in the loss of his mother.

- Tom Daniels

ENGINEERING—RESEARCH & PLANNING -

Congratulations to JOSEPH URBASZEWSKI and his wife, CHRISTINE, on the birth of their first child, JOSEPH EDWARD, born on January 16 at 8:23 a.m. and weighing in at 7 pounds 8 ounces...CTA employes and guests gathered at the M&M Club in the Mart on January 29 at 12 noon for a retirement luncheon in honor of MARY ISBRANDT, secretary to E. E. OLMSTEAD, and JOHN RETZLER, superintendent of buildings. Following lunch, Mr. Olmstead made the opening speech followed by short speeches from Mr. C. E. KEISER, operating manager, Mr. RUSS J. SHANKLIN, and Mr. T. B. O'CONNOR, general manager. They were both presented with their CTA retirement wallets. Open house was held on January 31 for Mary and John and over 250 CTA employes and pensioners came to wish them a bon voyage on the sea of retirement. They received some beautiful gifts...Get well wishes go to HELEN LOFTUS who was operated on recently...LOIS POTTS traveled to Washington, D. C., to watch the inauguration and had a very nice time.

(West Shops) -

GEORGE MILLONAS, former engineer of buildings and structures, was selected to fill Mr. Retzler's position upon his retirement. West Shops congratulates you, Mr. Millonas, and we welcome you to our midst...Congratulations to TOM SPASOJEVICH, track foreman, who was selected to fill the post TONY FRANCISCOVICH left when he retired on January 1. Now we have three track foremen with a T initial and they all happen to be named Tom. Now if Track Foreman BILL HEFFERNAN changes his name—oh well, that's another story...A welcome back to CHARLIE PAVESIC who has returned from a five-week vacation. He said he did a lot of visiting while he was away, however, he didn't say whom or where. Hmmm! A secret maybe?..It's nice to see MARION (Soup) TOMATICH back with us after his brave bout with the flu. He was home for two weeks... West Shops Flash: What handsome and debonair foreman shaved off his mustache just when we were all getting used to it?..Congratulations to Ironworker NICK GALLO whose wife recently had a baby girl.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald & Mary Gallon

CLAIM -

MARY BERRY enjoyed a six-day stay in Washington where she witnessed the inauguration of our new President and enjoyed a delightful breakfast in the office of Senator Percy. Even though it rained continuously, I am sure this is an experience Mary will long remember...Congratulations to JEANNE LUDMANN, MARY BERRY, BING APITZ, and RUTHIE KAMINSKI whose evening was twice as enjoyable at the CTA General Office Credit Union annual get-together because they each won a cash door prize. Don't spend it all in one place, now.

- Peggy Hallahan & Shari Pupa

GENERAL OFFICE (Employment) -

GEORGIANNE CANNATARO recently left CTA to devote full time as housewife and to await a blessed event. Our best wishes are extended to Georgianne as she starts her own career...RITA BRZECZEK transferred from Employe Relations and is now the receptionist...LYNN HARRER transferred from the Stores Department as a clerk-typist. ..New employes of CTA welcomed to the department are MARY PONTRELLI and JUDY MARTIN, clerk-typists. Mary's dad, ROCCO PONTRELLI, and her brother, VITA, also are employed at CTA. Lucky people who had a day off

for birthdays or company anniversary dates in January were KATHY MOSER, DOROTHY COUGHLIN, DON REISS, and GEORGIANNE CANNATARO.

(Training & Accident Prevention) -

Birthday boys who enjoyed a day off in January were EDWARD HENRY, ELIOTT HIRSCH, ART HUBACZ, and JIM TRETTON.

(Executive) -

AILEEN MADDEN has returned to work after her recent illness which confined her for several weeks in Henrotin hospital. Her co-workers in the General Office and friends throughout the company were delighted to see her back. Aileen's husband, JIM, works in the Insurance Department.

(Public Information) -

RUSS WARNSTEDT, Employe Suggestion Coordinator, is a proud grandfather again. This time it was a baby girl born December 20 at Lutheran General hospital. The baby weighed 6 pounds 7 ounces at birth and was named KRISTEN. Her parents are RUSSELL WARNSTEDT Jr. and his wife, CAROLE.

- Mary E. Clarke

KEELER -

Hi gang! Sure hope you fellows remembered to send that valentine to that sweetest of sweetest persons...I guess you've noticed all the new operators appearing on the scene. Well, here's extending a hand of welcome to all the newcomers along with a bit of wisdom. I'm sure all the old timers will nod in agreement to it: "I've never been hurt by anything I didn't say." Remember this throughout your career and I'm sure those commendations will outnumber the complaints...Boy, the sick bay is really loaded this month. So, sincere get well wishes go out to: Operator L. BANKS, in Hines hospital; Operator ZENTMEYER, also hospitalized, and Operator E. LUDTKE who is confined too. Bug victims include Operators GREZLIK, COCKRANE, and L. KUZYK...In the fracture ward reclines one of my favorite good guys, Operator DON FREY. Say, Don, did you break that leg skiing?..Garageman CHARLEY BOWMAN somehow managed to fracture a few ribs in the line of duty. Garageman DAVE WOODS had a relapse from his fractures...Honestly fellows, I can't get a 100 per cent operating bus since Mechanic JIMMY SYLVESTER has been laid up with a smashed thumb. The other fellows are doing a good job, but we miss you, Jimmy...Regretfully, we report the burning of Operator J. VAUGHN's house. Vaughn wishes to thank all the nice fellows of Keeler, who were so gracious to him during his ordeal...Well, let's pick up our spirits a bit by ringing the birthday bells six times for little SCOTT GRAFER, the son of Operator GEORGE GRAFER, February 4; the bells also toll for Operator W. ZINKOVICH, February 14 (some valentine for his parents, eh fellows). JACK forgot to tell me, but I didn't forget you ELIZABETH JACKSON, the wife of ALLEN JACKSON, February 16. Operator R. FIELDS didn't forget his lovely missus, MARY, on February 23. BOB forgot to remind me, but ding-dong for you, Operator BOB O'NEAL on February 26. Operator STEHLIK says on February 27 he will be 37 years young (37 plus what). As the bells gradually fade away, a hurried happy birthday to Operator JOHN JARECKI, who just got under the wire February 28...As the Anniversary Waltz is softly playing, all eyes follow the starry-eyed couple celebrating three years of bliss on February 2. Say, that's Operator DAVID HINTON and his wife, LILLIE. That other coosome couple celebrating February 17 is Operator KIMBERA and his wife, SHERRY. Can you guess which couple is commemorating 22 years of cohesiveness February 15. It is Operator ANDY SEGAR and his lovely wife, MARY. This being the month of Valentine's Day, I'll leave you with this observation. "God created women beautiful and foolish: beautiful so that men would love them, foolish so that they would love the men. Bye.

- Ernest C. Carter

KEDZIE -

Kedzie Credit Union held its annual meeting in January. It was good seeing and talking to everyone that was there. Operator J. MURPHY sang some good old Irish songs, and CHARLIE STARR Jr. played his accordian...We were sorry to see Superintendent GLENN PAYTON leave Kedzie. He has been assigned to 77th Street Station. Glenn will be missed at Kedzie, with his fairness and personal dealings with the men. We send you our best, and good luck to you at your new station...We welcome Assistant Superintendent GEORGE DAUBS to Kedzie. Mr. Daubs comes to us from Lawndale Station, but is no stranger at Kedzie. When I talked to George, he said he was glad to be back at Kedzie. I talked with Superintendent E. PETERSON and Mr. Daubs about our accident standing in the interstation competition. They said that many accidents resulted from slippery streets and because operators wait too long to adjust their driving. Remember to drive defensively at all times, and maybe we can make a better showing this month in the competition!..I saw JOE MANION and he is doing fine. He isn't driving any more, but says hello to everyone at Kedzie...I also talked to R. JABLECKI, who is now in the Sanitation Department; he is looking real good. He misses everyone at Kedzie but he doesn't miss driving. Take care of yourself, Ray...On my bus I had Retired Operator MIKE KENNY and F. LE VIERI. They told me to say hello to all at Kedzie...If you are wondering why there's a big smile on the face of Instructor CHARLEY WEYER, he is a proud grandpa for the seventh time. He has four grandsons and three granddaughters. Charley's daughter, MARYANN, gave birth to an 8 pound baby girl on January 18, and named her WENDY ANN. Congratulations to the happy couple, Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE KVECK. By the way, all of Instructor Weyer's grandchildren are under six years of age. I can just imagine the beautiful sound they make when they are all together.

- Raymond Graham

LAWNDALE -

We received a card from CHARLIE KUCERA in sunny California. He sure knows how to pick a vacation at the right time...Now is the time to renew your membership in the Little Flower Society. It is only $1.00 a year and will help you spiritually, and also help some deserving boys to go through the priesthood...Our deepest sympathy to the family of BENJAMIN EVANS whose funeral was on Thursday, January 23; to the family of JOHN DANIEL in the death of his sister, Mrs. JUANITA GATHREN whose funeral was on Thursday, January 9, and to G. SMITH in the death of his mother-in-law whose funeral was on Monday, January 20...JOE NOLAN is in Hines Veterans hospital awaiting surgery. We wish you a speedy recovery, Joe!..We lost

JOINING THE ranks of the retired February 1 were the nine employes pictured here who had 40 or more years of transit service each.

F. E. JONES
46 Years

G. F. BUETOW
43 Years

W. H. MAGEE
41 Years

A. J. MUTH
40 Years

J. D. RETZLER
42 Years

P. F. CARPINO
40 Years

L. E. PEARSON
40 Years

P. J. CLANCY
42 Years

R. H. IRVINE
40 Years

NEW PENSIONERS

ANTHONY G. BECOFSKE, Laborer,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 6-23-43
JULIUS J. BOCCIO, Track Foreman I,
Track, Emp. 3-9-25
GEORGE F. BUETOW, Doorman,
77th Street, Emp. 4-15-25
PETER F. CARPINO, Constr. Line Truck Chauffeur,
Util. & Emer. Service, Emp. 4-23-28
PATRICK J. CLANCY, Day Foreman,
North Avenue, Emp. 2-9-26
FRANK G. HESS, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 11-7-42
ROBERT H. IRVINE, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 10-17-28
MARY I. ISBRANDT, Stenographer V,
Engineering, Emp. 6-22-42
FRANK E. JONES, Testing Engineer,
Electrical, Emp. 6-1-22
FRANK S. KIZIOR, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 12-26-36
CLARENCE D. LATTIN, Machinist,
South Shops, Emp. 3-20-47
RUTH L. LEE, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 10-31-53
HAROLD B. LIND, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 2-3-36
JOHN LUDTKE, Bus Repairer,
Lawndale, Emp. 4-25-44
WILLIAM H. MAGEE, Day Foreman,
Beverly, Emp. 1-2-27
THEODORE R. MARTIN, District Superintendent,
Lawndale, Emp. 8-17-36
WILLIAM J. MAYER, Garage Clerk,
Kedzie, Emp. 5-13-46
FRANCIS J. McGARRITY, Repairer,
Forest Glen, Emp. 7-11-43
HERMAN A. McKEIGHAN, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 9-10-29
JOHN MIRABELLI, Laborer,
Track, Emp. 7-21-42
ARMIN J. MUTH, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 1-28-29
ALBERT W. NEGELE, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 11-21-42
LARS E. PEARSON, Day Foreman,
Lawndale, Emp. 1-25-29
OTIS REED, Janitor,
South Section, Emp. 5-28-46
EMMA L. RENNHACK, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 4-2-41
JOHN D. RETZLER, Superintendent of Buildings,
Engineering, Emp. 3-2-26
CARL W. SUNDSTROM, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 12-24-48
EDWIN C. WENDT, Chief Clerk,
Shops & Equipment, Emp. 3-12-18
JOSEPH H. ZAHUMENSKY, Carpenter "A"
South Shops, Emp. 7-26-41

DISABILITY RETIREMENT

HAROLD E. KUEHL, Janitor,
West Section, Emp. 2-17-43

our Assistant Superintendent, Mr. G. W. DAUBS, to Kedzie. We hate to see you go, but good luck in your new assignment. In his place we are getting Mr. H. P. BRAUN. We wish him a happy stay with us...Clerk-Receiver ED WITEK is back with us evenings. He may be with us on his birthday, March 17, but will be off that day when we spell his name with an "O."..We had a visit from "Doc" WEST and WILLIAM ALLEN who are in great shape...I saw JERRY PROCHASKA the other day and he showed me a picture of himself when he started some 40 odd years ago. He had on a "cookie duster." Do you know, he would have been a good stand-in for Clark Gable!..See you later.

- Larry Keating

LIMITS -

Superintendent DeWITT and his dear wife celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary recently. Congratulations to this fine couple...Instructor J. BROGAN and his dear wife, EVELYN, celebrated their 30th year of wedded bliss last month. Congratulations to this fine couple...HADDON PHILLIPS, who came from North Park and took over as chief clerk, passed away suddenly at Limits. Our sincerest sympathy to his family. JOHN SIMKO is now the chief clerk. May your stay at Limits be a long and pleasant one. ..A good time was had at the Limits Credit Union business meeting and party held at the Eagles Hall, Byron and Western Avenues, January 19. ARTHUR MAAS, who took his pension on January 1, can now devote full time as treasurer of the credit union...Instructor J. BROGAN spent his vacation in sunny Arizona where he enjoyed himself to the fullest...Operator F. REUSS became a grandfather for the second time when another baby girl joined the Reuss family. Congratulations to the proud parents, and also to grandpa...Our sincerest sympathy to Superintendent R. KEAG of North Park whose son was killed in action in Viet Nam...Operator JESSE BORDEAUX and his wife were happy to have their son, WILLIAM, home on a furlough from the armed forces last month...SAM BEVELLE and ILMAR GRAUDINS are back on the active list after being off for some time due to illness...Former Limits Superintendent HERMAN ERICKSON is mighty happy and enjoying his pension to the fullest in sunny Florida. He is especially happy when he reads the news of the cold and snow we have in Chicago and doesn't have to partake of it...Our sincerest sympathy to LOU GEISHEIMER in the loss of his dear mother, and to FRANK KOUBA in the loss of his father.

- R. S. Benson

LOOP -

Agent JIMMY GEORGE would love to have a new Ford. So one icy morning he drove off kind of fast, and oh boy what a fender bender he turned out to be. So now he gets a new Ford...Belated birthday greetings to Agent HELEN GUTH who celebrated last month. She seems to be getting younger every year...Agent MARY WIXTED is back to work after a week's vacation. Mary thinks one or two more would be fine (with pay)...Agent W. STRASSER is on a winter vacation at this time. Hope you are having fun, Wilbur. ..Agent K. McKENNY just came back from a vacation in Florida. She sure picked a good time, it was sub-zero here. Agent J. CARNEY just came back from a week's vacation and he said it was just grand...Sorry to hear Towerman BILL DONNELLY was off sick. Hope by this time you are well and working hard...Belated happy birthday to little DEBRA HOFFMAN who was just four. She is grandpa's girl and he is Pensioner ED CORRIGAN. Debbie's mom is Agent E. HOFFMAN...Another year has rolled around and it's congratulations once again to Trainman B. PATTERSON and his wife on their fifth wedding anniversary January 17...Congratulations to Collector V. NORSTROM and his wife who celebrated their 22nd wedding anniversary on February 22. Norstrom, I think the two's got it this year... Very sorry to hear Towerman JOE VARGO is so ill. We do hope your doctor hurrys up and gets you well. All the boys in and around Tower 18 miss you very much...NOTICE: Will haunt any house, no charge—Agent THADEOUS ZDEB.

- Mildred Doyle

NORTH AVENUE -

North Avenue Depot Federal Credit Union number 2495 had its 31st annual membership meeting on January 17 at LaFollette Park. The following pensioners attended the meeting: JOHN LANGE, RAY GREY, AUGIE JOHNSON, WILLIAM L. KENNEDY, JAMES MARREN, ART HALEK, EUGENE DUFFY, JOSEPH BEAUMIER, CHESTER NEUGEBAUER, GEORGE STELLER, MICHAEL PAWLICKI, EDWARD FISCHER, CHARLES JOHNSON, WALTER SCHMIDT, and PATRICK CLANCY. The following were winners of door prizes: HARVEY BECKER, GEORGE STELLER, EDWARD NEUMAN, DAVID SIMPSON, TED GALUS, PHILLIP NEUGEBAUER, JAMES EDWARDS, ALONZO HOOPER, HELEN PAWLICKI, JOSEPH WILEZYNSKI, ROBERT HARRIS, PETER MADIA, JOSEPH CHRISTY, WADE SIMMONS, KENNETH STOLZ, JOSEPH BEAUMIER, EUGENE DUFFY, ELMER REIDEL, MIKE BYSTREK, ROMAN KUSEK, HANS HABBESTAD, STEVE SARA, WILLIE HARRIS, SAM KELLY, CATHERINE CARLSTROM, JOHN WILLIAMS, EDWARD FISCHER, WALTER SCHMIDT, and BILL MIEDEMA. The North Avenue Credit Union wishes to thank Operator PETER MADIA for the use of his electronic microphone and loud speaker system... Operator LEO RAMEL and his wife, LILLIAN, are the proud parents of a baby girl, SHARON SUSAN. Our congratulations. The Ramels now have another income tax deduction...We have two February 1 pensioners. One is Day Foreman PATRICK CLANCY. The other is ERNEST PEARSON, formerly night foreman at North Avenue, and recently day foreman at Lawndale. We wish them the very best of everything. Be sure to keep in touch, boys...Operator FRANK PONZIO has been promoted, and is now with the Schedule Department at the Mart. Congratulations, Frank. ..I was told recently that Operator PETER MADIA is conducting a fishing school. He has electronic equipment to

WEDDING BELLS resounded again when Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES ELLIOTT celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary January 1 in Jacksonville, Florida. Charles, a retired North Section ticket agent, and his wife repeated their vows in a special service with 150 persons attending.

STATIONED WITH the army at Fort Polk, Louisiana, is ROBERT BUETOW, the son of Operator WILLIAM BUETOW, and the nephew of Superintendent FRANK BUETOW, both of North Avenue. Robert was also a former temporary employe of CTA.

find out where the fish are located. Pete related that none other than BILL PINASCO has signed to attend. Operator BILL NEHLS should contact Pete and investigate the study course in fishing. Pete is seen every morning in the depot eating fish sandwiches with his coffee...Operator HAROLD FORSTER has been cleaning his golf clubs hoping to play soon. With those few warm days in January, he was tempted to hit a few balls...Operator EDWARD SCHNEIDER is on a disability pension. Hope to see you spending your time fishing on Lake Noquebay this spring, Ed. Get well. We also wish speedy recoveries to the following operators who have been on the sick list: VITO LOCONTE, EDWARD MENTH, HAROLD GERTZ, VIGGO WINDFELD, AMBROSE PANICO, EARL HORSTMAN, ERNEST POMERANNING, JULIUS BISWURN, EDMUND BRODERICK, and AL SKONIE. ..Repairman PETER GERAME's son, PETER Jr., just received his pilot's license. Dad is waiting for son to log 10,000 miles before he rides with him...Chief Clerk GENE PETERSON lost his brother, GEORGE, who lived in San Jose, California, on January 15. Pensioner WILLIAM FAHEY lost his wife in December. Pensioner HENRY CAMPBELL passed away January 11. Our condolences to these families.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

North Park's annual credit union meeting was held January 10 at River Park field house, where a fine report was delivered by the treasurer, JOHN O'BRIEN. The officers declared a dividend of 4 per cent on savings, and all members were urged to bring in their books so that they may be brought up to date. Operator WALTER UHLEMANN was elected president, succeeding the late PETE MERSCH. Elected to the board of directors were Operators WALTER UHLEMANN, TONY BRUNO, and EDWARD GOETTERT. Operators FRANK LASKE and BEN NEUMAN were reelected to the credit committee. Refreshments were served and the following won door prizes: JOE CITRO, BEN NEUMAN, CARL HANSEN, BOB MOSKOVITZ, JUAN FUENTES, ANN WISNIEWSKI, WALTER PETERS, ED BADEN, JOHN HALL, BUTCH VAN MIDDLESWORTH, DOROTHY STEINBERG, JOHN FIESTERMAN, PETE MARCHISOTTO, FRANK KOZIOL, BERNARD KONIARSKI, RICHARD GUSTAFSON, JOHN SEQUEIRA, FRANK LITTAU, ELMER KNUDSON, ROBERT KESSLER, SAL MUSCARELLO, EUGENE DRZEWICKI, DAN PRISBLE, BILL STEINSPRING, FRED FRIEB, DON HEANEY, WILLIAM FRIEB, ASTRID ABERNATHY, HAROLD JULITZ, SEYMOUR STEINBERG, FRED SCHMIDT, CASEY WISNIEWSKI, EDWARD STENZEL, MEL HORNING, MARTIN BAKKA, TEX ABERNATHY and Mrs. FRANK KOZIOL...Operator CONNIE SCHMIT and his wife, FRANCES, became grandparents for the sixth time when their daughter-in-law, PAT, gave birth to a son named RICHARD ALLEN, born October 26 at Victory Memorial hospital in Waukegan, Illinois, and weighing 2 pounds 6 ounces...Operator ANTHONY GREGORY became a father for the fifth time when his wife, ANGELINE, gave birth to a son named LOUIS, born at the Swedish Covenant hospital and weighing in at 10 pounds. Anthony, who is in the supervisors pool, promises that the boys will all be future bus operators...Operator AL NAGELE retired on February 1 after 26 years of hard labor. Al and Mrs. Nagele, who are devoted fishermen, will spend considerable time with their hobby...Ticket Agent FRANK HESS, formerly a bus operator at North Park, retired on February 1 after 26 years of service. Frank and his wife, MYRTLE, have purchased a new deluxe trailer and will be making their home in Forsyth, Missouri, where they will be the neighbors of Pensioner ART MUIR and his wife, RUTH. We at North Park wish these fine gentlemen and their wives many years of leisure living and good health...After 23 years of trying, Operator LEROY CONKLIN received his first commendation and promises Mr. KEAG that it will not be his last...Operator JOHN MIDINA had the pleasure of piloting our first new diesel bus on his run in Skokie. No operator could be found any place that was more proud than John...MICHAEL CRONIN, the nephew of Operator HAROLD DOWEY, was wounded while serving at Chi Lai, Viet Nam, with the U. S. Marines. Michael was evacuated to Japan for surgery, and is now in the Naval hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, where his left foot was amputated...FRED CERKAN, the son of Receiver BILL CERKAN, was graduated on January 16 from the University of Illinois. Bill is an aeronautical engineer and expects to work in the Los Angeles, California, area. Bill's daughter, LINDA, was graduated from Northeastern Illinois university December 18, and became engaged to Mr. DAVID POWELL with her wedding date set for May 24...Operator DICK GUSTAFSON and his wife, MERCEDES, spent their vacation at West Palm Beach, Florida, where Dick's mother, Mrs. SIGRUD NORLUND, resides. Dick and Mercedes enjoyed themselves playing golf, fishing, and visiting the dog tracks...Pensioner JOHN KARASEK reports that his son, Doctor MARVIN KARASEK of Palo Alto, California, and his daughter, VALDINE, and her husband, PETER STUCKEY, and their children who reside in Dixon, Illinois, spent the holidays with them...Operator JIM MEISTER received several cash Christmas gifts from his Skokie riders, and is smoking a better brand of cigars lately...Operator ELI PESTINE and his wife, RUTH, celebrated their 35th anniversary on January 14. The Pestines were treated to an evening at the Candlelight Playhouse by their son, HARVEY, and his wife, GAIL, and their daughter, LOIS, and her husband, MICHAEL...Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Operator JOE SCALETTA and his wife, DOREEN, their 10th, February 1; Operator HENRY NEUMAN and his wife, LEONA, their 37th, February 4; Operator MEL HORNING and his wife, VIOLET, their 31st, February 5; Operator ROY RIPKA and his wife, IRIS, their 5th, January 11; Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN and his wife, ERMA, their 41st, January 26; Utility Chauffeur JOHN MILLER and his wife, ROZIA, their

35th, January 26; Operator ARTHUR OLSON and his wife, LEONORE, their 29th, February 14; Operator ED ZIENTARA and his wife, ROSE, their 33rd, February 25, and Operator ROGER AYOTTE and his wife, HELEN, their 10th, February 28...Happy birthdays are extended to the following: Operators SEYMOUR STEINBERG, NICK GASPER, ED NEWTON, CHARLES KEMP, GARY NOONAN, WALTER LINDEMANN, JOSEPH GUZZARDO, IRIS RIPKA, EULIE DOWEY, GARY KEMP, FRANCES NEWTON, SHIRLEY PAOLI, JULIA ZAHN, LINDA DIEDIER, MIKE SCHRAMM, and MIN SEIFERT...Operator GEORGE ERBSTROESSER, after a siege of sickness, is now working as a ticket agent and finds his new position delightful. The following operators have been sick for a long spell and would appreciate a card or a visit from their friends: GEORGE SHARPE, JOHN OMAN, and ALFRED WILLIAMS. See Chief Clerk RAY SIMON for the addresses of the above...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to the families of Operator SAM KLEIN, Pensioner MAX STREWE on the loss of his beloved mother, Mrs. STREWE, and Pensioner JOE VAN DEN EEDEN on the loss of his son, DONALD...The salt workers would like to take this opportunity to thank Night Foreman JOHN JOYCE and his crew for the splendid job they have been doing to keep the equipment rolling when the snow is falling...Repairman TONY GALLO planted a batch of coconut trees on his ranch in Florida while on his recent vacation...Repairman MIKE SCHULTZ and Benchman ALEX FRITZLER have a large inventory of chewing tobacco since the recent holidays...Night Foreman ANDY KARIOLICH is working days replacing HARRY DITTERY who is hospitalized at Hines hospital...Repairman JOE "The Shafter" MAREK is supplying the night crew with pork chops, chicken, ham, and polish sausage for their lunches...Repairman FRANK SCHENDEL vacationed at Waterloo, Iowa, and reports the meals in the Gypsy Tea Room at the Dodge House Motel in Dubuque, Iowa, are the greatest...Bus Cleaner TOM GIOVANNI had the misfortune of banging his GTO in a recent accident...Repairman JULIUS MERSCH donned his Santa Claus suit again and gave his seven grandchildren another wonderful Christmas party. In return, Julius was presented with a group picture of the seven in color...Bus Dispatcher GEORGE SERITELLA had the good fortune of picking his two-week winter vacation during our recent zero weather...Repairman CORTLAND ZICE and Cleaner RED STAUNTON finally wore the Hong Kong flu bug down and are back to work again...Remember, the credit union is ready, willing, and able to help all who need cash to meet those Christmas bills and income tax problems. So, see JOHN, TONY, or DALE for ready cash.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

Those taking their pensions are RUTH LEE, EMMA RENNHACK, and FRANK HESS. Frank will reside in Forsyth, Missouri, about 38 miles from Springfield. Hope you all have a long and healthy retirement...MINNA KING went to Florida for ten days to celebrate her mother's 75th birthday. Her two sons, their wives, and seven grandchildren attended also...MARION SPARKS' grandson had the Hong Kong flu, and her son and his wife had the regular flu. ..JIM ZEPPS' daughter, CYNTHIA, celebrated her third birthday, January 28. Cynthia also was blessed with a brother named WILLIAM BARRETT on January 2...Hope everyone had a nice day off on their anniversary and birthdays...ANNABELLE DREW went to Detroit, Michigan, and her son showed her the building he had just completed in Oak Park, Michigan...Mr. and Mrs. T. IRWIN celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary on December 7. Congratulations, and I hope you have many more...BRIDGETT WELCH left the company on February I to have her baby... Your scribe had the misfortune to hurt her back and was off work for a week. ROSE O'CONNELL fell and hurt her collar bone when she slipped on the ice...L. CHRASTKA is back to work after a long illness. Student Agent M. McEVILLY has returned to work...J. BAXTER, former North Park bus operator, has transferred as a ticket agent. We also have another new agent, P. DJURDJEVIC...A. ZALCBURG went into military service and J. SCHUMPP has returned from the marine corps...Notice—It will be up to each employe to check his or her anniversary date in order to get the day off...Anyone caring to send in any news for the magazine may send it to me at 3535 N. Ruby Street, Franklin Park, Illinois 60131. Pictures will be returned to sender if they include their address...MARY RAGO, student agent, left the CTA to attend Andrews university at Berrien Springs, Michigan...NICK CLEASON's fifth granddaughter, KIMBERLY KAY, was christened on January 26, and cried all through the services. There was a reception held later at home...BILL O'BRIEN and JIM DIEDEN were called into the service...JIM O'GRADY has returned to the CTA after serving in Viet Nam. Glad you're back in one piece, Jim... Former Conductor JOHN S. (Andy) ANDERSON, his wife, LYDIA, and daughter, ANN-HELEN, spent a sad Christmas. On Christmas eve they were advised that their son, SP/4 JUSTIN K. ANDERSON, had been killed in action in Viet Nam on December 22. A full military funeral was held at Edgebrook Ev. Covenant church, Chicago, on January 4, 1969 with interment at Rosehill Cemetery.

- Grace Mounts

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

When the temperature goes way down and there's snow in the air, thoughts of sunshine and warm weather always seem to come to our minds. While we were just thinking about it, MARY ROACH and her husband, JOHN, were enjoying all of this. They had a few days of rain, but didn't complain a bit. Where did they go? Why to Florida, of course. Not taking a chance of going to Cuba, they drove down. They visited both the east and west coasts of the state, saw many of their friends, and had a wonderful time. ..The MC EVILLY family is a busy one and always on the go. JOHN's son, MICHAEL, is now a part time ticket agent and attending Loyola university. He went to the inaugural

RECEIVING A cash gift from his co-workers is STEFANO D'ANNA, who retired December 1 after 32 years of service. Making the presentation is Divisional Storekeeper, A. W. EGGERT, South Division.

ball in Washington, D.C., and had a real good time and states it was quite an experience. JOHN Jr., a second lieutenant in the U. S. Marines, is presently stationed at Camp LeJuene in the Carolinas, where he is completing his engineering training. Last but not least, his son-in-law, JAMES HALVEY, who is on the nuclear submarine U.S.S. Patrick Henry, just returned from his last cruise in the Mediterranean. He will be discharged in June after serving six years in the U. S. Navy...When St. Benedict's High school held their faculty-varsity basketball game they found that a certain father, THOMAS STIGLIC, and his son, TOM, were a winning combination for the faculty. Mr. Stiglic went home with something to remind him of their win; a black eye...ELI FREEDMAN spent a week in the hospital under observation. All reports came out okay and after a short rest at home he is now feeling fine. Mr. JOSEPH J. HEMZACEK recently underwent surgery and we are happy to hear that he is doing fine. We hope it won't be long until he is feeling as good as new. One of those flying KRAUSES, JACK, has been temporarily grounded. Thanks to the skilled hands of a surgeon his operation was a success, and I hear he is now home and recuperating. We wish him a speedy and complete recovery...A warm welcome is extended to JOSEPH E. RITROVATO, the new information clerk, who transferred from the Schedule Department, and to RONALD BAKER, a graduate trainee, who is presently working in the Transportation Department. It's nice to have both of you with us.

(Traffic Planning) -

On January 15, ANNETTE HEFTER received the happy news that her fifth grandchild was born. RACHEL ROSEN weighed in at 5 pounds 7 ounces. Congratulations to the proud parents, MARLENE and ROBERT, and also to the grandparents.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

AUDREY PETERSON recently heard from CARMELLA GARGANO, formerly employed as a steno with the CTA and now working for the U. S. Government in Saigon. Taking advantage of the opportunity, Carmella went on a short trip to Japan, went skiing, went to Tokyo and stated that the sights were fantastic and she would love to make a return trip and stay longer.

- Colette Szczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

As of this writing Mrs. LEE DeSUTTER has undergone minor surgery at the Edgewater hospital. Everyone in the office is hoping you'll have a speedy recovery...Sorry to report the recent death of retiree MARY McCAULEY. Mary, who was assigned to the Purchasing Department, retired from the company five years ago...We have another new face in the Purchasing Department these days, that of Mrs. ANN JOBARIS. Ann is not a stranger to many of us since she has been with the company for three years. Previous to coming to Purchasing, Mrs. Jobaris was in I.R.T., which has since moved out to set up offices in Washington, D.C. Also, Ann's daughter, MARY ANN, has worked in the Stores Department for the past two summers. She is presently attending DeKalb university where she is majoring in art and designing. Hope you enjoy your new surroundings, Ann. I'm sure we'll keep you busy...Meanwhile, back to the unpredictable antics of Mr. Ed. Would you believe it, Mr. CUMMINGS is in the news again. Last month, Ed cut

LOOKING SO sweet and demure is little ELIZABETH SEMINATORE who recently celebrated her first birthday. Elizabeth is the niece of DAVE MUNYER, claim investigator.

his fingers on a ham can. Now he informs us that during one of our recent snow storms he was completely blinded by the blowing snow, slipped on the ice and hurt his pride. We are very happy to report that Mr. Cummings was not injured except for a skinned elbow. Please, Mr. Cummings, BE MORE CAREFUL!..Yes, the Specifications Department is in the news again. Mr. FRANK MAGUIRE, the man in charge of nuts and bolts, announced the marriage of his youngest daughter, JUDITH, to Mr. ALAN GREEN of DesMoines, Iowa. The wedding was performed at St. Anthony's church in Cicero on January 25. Judith's two sisters, MARY ANN and BARBARA, who are both married, were bridesmaids. A special surprise took place during the marriage ceremony when the priest read a telegram from Rome announcing that the bride and groom would receive the Apostolic Blessing from the Pope. The blessing was requested by recently-consecrated Bishop Paul Marcinkus, a friend of the Maguire family. The wedding reception was held in the Walnut Room at Manny Pearls, also in Cicero. A few of Mr. Maguire's co-workers attended. Judith plans to go back to Creighton university in Omaha for her last semester in nursing. Alan, who was graduated from Creighton, is presently a junior auditor in Omaha, but plans to enter the service in June. Judith will graduate in June and plans to travel with her husband. To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maguire, congratulations, and to Mr. and Mrs. Green, may you both have many years of happiness together...Ah, those wedding bells are ringing once again. This time they're for LYNN VUJNOVICH, stenographer, Stores Department. Lynn has announced her engagement to CHUCK BEL, apprentice technician for the Electrical Department. June 7, 1969, has been set as the happy wedding day. From all of us to both of you—good luck and may your future bring much joy and happiness to you both...We would like to welcome back Mrs. TERESA BARRY after a recent stay in the hospital...The Stores Department has a new typist—MARY BETH MURRAY—a June graduate of Mother Guerin High school. The CTA is not new to Mary Beth since her dad is a maintenance foreman at the Limits Depot. Mary Beth replaced LYNN HARRER who moved to the Employment Department. Good luck to the both of you in your new positions...Get-well wishes to GEORGE CROFOOT who, at the present writing, is in Swedish Covenant hospital..."Hello World", said little Miss JENNIFER LYNN, a 5 pound 10 ounce baby girl who recently arrived to JAMES and JOAN THOMAS. Joan was our "gal Friday" in Stores Office, South Division, until she resigned to await the arrival of the stork...A note to the North Division, to South Division, and Central—THE TRANSIT NEWS REPOR-

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

JOHN ANDERSON, 57, District "D",
Emp. 8-11-36, Died 11-26-68
DENNIS BARRETT, 62, Forest Glen,
Emp. 1-11-28, Died 12-8-68
FRANK BARRETT, 87, Armitage,
Emp. 5-12-11, Died 12-19-68
EARL L. BERG, 78, Devon,
Emp. 10-13-13, Died 12-14-68
JOHAN BINDHAMER, 88, Lincoln,
Emp. 10-12-11, Died 12-11-68
WALTER BLANKSCHEN, 71, North Section,
Emp. 4-18-27, Died 12-22-68
HENRY BLAU, 61, Keeler,
Emp. 11-1-35, Died 12-7-68
PAUL BLAZICEK, 79, 69th Street,
Emp. 10-5-10, Died 12-18-68
JOSEPH BOBER, 81, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 5-22-26, Died 12-20-68
PAUL BOETTCHER, 67, South Section,
Emp. 7-9-18, Died 12-11-68
ANNA M. BOUCHER, 81, North Section,
Emp. 6-29-43, Died 12-31-68
JOSEPH E. BRIEN, 74, 77th Street,
Emp. 5-16-12, Died 1-2-69
WALTER J. BRIM, 68, Forest Glen,
Emp. 5-21-23, Died 1-4-69
KING R. BROWN, 66, West Section,
Emp. 6-5-46, Died 12-16-68
THOMAS L. BROWN, 70, 69th Street,
Emp. 10-24-24, Died 12-11-68
SANTO CINQUEGRANI, 65, Track,
Emp. 11-22-30, Died 1-2-69
JOHN W. CLARK, 80, Lake Street,
Emp. 9-17-19, Died 12-6-68
GEORGE T. CORMIER, 76, Garfield Park,
Emp. 2-9-43, Died 12-14-68
CHARLES E. COUGHLIN, 58, 69th Street,
Emp. 8-18-37, Died 12-3-68
HARRY A. CZANSTKOWSKI, 50, Electrical,
Emp. 5-27-46, Died 12-5-68
FRANK DAVIS, 56, Kedzie,
Emp. 12-18-40, Died 12-10-68
WILLIAM DONALDSON, 63, Print Shop,
Emp. 3-15-24, Died 12-24-68
MICHAEL DUGGAN, 70, 69th Street,
Emp. 7-9-29, Died 12-26-68
HAROLD EVANS, 61, West Section,
Emp. 10-31-33, Died 11-20-68
CHARLES FABIANO, 65, Lawndale,
Emp. 9-2-43, Died 12-3-68
FRANCIS R. FALVEY, 75, West Section,
Emp. 11-21-28, Died 12-30-68
WILLIAM C. FISCHER, 75, Limits,
Emp. 1-29-18, Died 12-21-68
CHARLES B. GASH, 77, Claim,
Emp. 12-16-29, Died 12-23-68
GUISEPPO GIULIANO, 77, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 12-1-16, Died 12-21-68
JOHN HAJDUK, 76, Limits,
Emp. 9-11-29, Died 12-26-68
JOHN J. HAWKINS, 52, 77th Street,
Emp. 6-4-46, Died 1-17-69
EDWARD HEALY, 65, Claim,
Emp. 8-16-19, Died 12-11-68
LOUIS P. HENDRICKS, 71, Schedule,
Emp. 2-9-26, Died 12-22-68
JOSEPH HERMANN, 86, 77th Street,
Emp. 12-30-19, Died 12-28-68
ALFRED HYLAND, 60, South Section,
Emp. 8-19-42, Died 12-12-68
ALFRED JOHNSON, 83, 77th Street,
Emp. 11-20-09 Died 1-1-69
DANIEL KENNEDY, 59, 69th Street,
Emp. 10-26-36, Died 1-20-69
SAMUEL KLEIN, 64, North Park,
Emp. 7-18-33, Died 1-2-69
ROBERT KUHFAL, 60, North Park,
Emp. 5-1-46, Died 11-27-68
STANLEY J. LASKOWSKI, 71, Devon,
Emp. 8-30-26, Died 12-29-68
FRANCESCO LOMBARDINO, 86, Track,
Emp. 12-4-25, Died 12-3-68
ARNUM MARCH, 56, North Park,
Emp. 9-4-41, Died 11-15-68
JAMES MC CARTHY, 78, North Section,
Emp. 2-10-16, Died 12-5-68
FRANK E. MC DERMOTT, 66, Claim,
Emp. 1-10-49, Died 12-18-68
THOMAS J. MEEHAN, 59, Kimball,
Emp. 10-6-38, Died 1-11-69
ALBERT MEYERS, 93, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 1-3-02, Died 1-8-69
THURMAN MILES, 74, North Section,
Emp. 2-13-46, Died 12-9-68
GEORGE J. MORAN, 72, West Section,
Emp. 9-26-28, Died 12-13-68
ANTON MORAVEC, 62, Electrical,
Emp. 7-5-45, Died 11-25-68
PAUL PENAGER, 32, North Park,
Emp. 12-3-64, Died 11-30-68
HADDON PHILLIPS, 60, Limits,
Emp. 4-1-32, Died 11-20-68
ARTHUR POKLENKOWSKI, 65, Archer,
Emp. 8-31-36, Died 12-10-68
RENE PRIMEAU, 63, Schedule,
Emp. 7-29-31, Died 12-27-68
ROBERT L. PROSSER, 70, Const. & Maint.,
Emp. 12-15-20, Died 12-15-68
GEORGE A. PUTZ, 65, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 8-6-46, Died 12-14-68
FRED R. REDEMSKE, 63, North Park,
Emp. 2-1-29, Died 12-20-68
CARL A. RUEDIGER, 73, Police,
Emp. 12-5-28, Died 1-7-69
BERNARD A. RYAN, 69, Electrical,
Emp. 9-3-19, Died 12-16-68
HARRY F. SAFRANEK, 58, West Section,
Emp. 3-20-42, Died 12-18-68
IVAN SAPUNAR, 83, Track-North,
Emp. 9-9-25, Died 12-12-68
BEATRICE SCHEWE, 80, West Section,
Emp. 5-20-37, Died 12-25-68
JOHN F. SCHULTZ, 79, Central District,
Emp. 8-9-17, Died 12-31-68
THOMAS SCILLUFO, 68, Lake Street,
Emp. 3-7-24, Died 12-29-68
GEORGE SEMENIUK, 75, South Section,
Emp. 10-23-16, Died 1-3-69
ALFRED W. SMITH, 74, West Section,
Emp. 12-30-25, Died 12-25-68
LOUIS E. SOLAK, 73, Kedzie,
Emp. 10-2-13, Died 12-16-68
GUNDER G. STANGE, 88, South Section,
Emp. 11-22-02, Died 11-30-68
LEO T. TAMUL, 53, 77th Street,
Emp. 3-13-48, Died 1-1-69
HILMA J. TERNSTROM, 99, North Section,
Emp. 5-11-00, Died 12-30-68
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TERS ARE ALIVE AND DOING WELL IN THE MART. Please contact us if there is anything you would like mentioned in this column. Let's get going with some news items.

- Jane Urso & Rod Rusakiewicz

SOUTH SECTION -

Has anyone seen spring peeking her head around the corner for the first time? Here's hoping we see her soon. ..Greetings and salutations to our new trainmen transferred from the North and West Sections: DONALD GRAY, JOHN WRIGHT, DOUGLAS GOARD, SIDNEY EDWARDS, HENRY WARE, and LEON GEE...Real good news--Motorman JAMES NORRIS, who had been on the sick list for several months and went on disability pension January 1, returned from the disability list and is now working as an agent... Congratulations to Chief Clark JIM MARTINEK, who became a grandpa for the eighth time when a little girl named SUSAN was born to his daughter, DELORES, on December 30...Conductor EARTHON JOHNSON, who had been on the sick list for a few months, is now back working. He wishes to thank all his friends and co-workers for the cards, letters, and kindness extended to him while he was ill. It is good to see Earthon back at work...On the system agents pick which went into effect recently some of our agents transferred to other sections and we wish them good luck: JOSEPH ROCH, DAISEY THOMPSON, HENRY FALLEK, SANDRA MITCHELL, ERNEST TONSIL, and DOROTHY OATES. Transferring to us, we welcome: JOHNNIE McDONALD and JOYCELYN AYERS (who formerly worked

on this section), GEORGANNA ABRAMS, HARRIET HOUSER, ARNETTE JACKSON, DANIEL MAGGETTE, SHELBY WALKER, and JUANITA COOPER...We were saddened to hear that Conductor LAWRENCE BELIN's dear wife passed away. Our sympathy is extended to Lawrence in his sorrow...Received a nice letter from Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS who is spending the winter soaking up the sunshine at Indian Rocks Beach, Florida. Isn't that nice to say, "spending the winter in Florida." Charles says "hello" to all his friends...Janitor OTIS REED went on pension February 1. All good wishes for an enjoyable, healthy, and happy retirement life...Assistant Station Superintendent MICKEY O'CONNOR, who was in the hospital, is now at home recuperating. Best wishes for a quick return to work...We have a new singing Conductor-Trainman, VERNON ROBINSON. You old-timers remember our original singing Conductor HENRY SINGER, well, Vernon does such a good job on his announcements that he was written up recently in Chicago's American. Besides announcing the stations, he gives the time and temperatures and points of interest such as landmarks and stores along the way. He has also received several passenger commendations on his unusual announcements. People are so quick to criticize others that it is nice to see all these commendations coming in...Retired Motormen GEORGE SEMENIUK and WILLIAM MANNING, and Retired Conductor JAMES GIVIN passed away recently. Our condolences to their families...Also back to his post and off the sick list is Switchman LYMAN VEITKUS...Stopping in to see the men at 61st Street recently were retired Motorman JOHN BURKE and retired Supervisor ROBERT BROWN. They say "hello" to all their old friends..."Hi" to newly-hired Part Time Agent AMAZON PAYTON, and ISAAC COULTER Jr. who transferred from the Surface Division as an Agent... Some of our people have decided to resign: Trainman FRANK POWELL, Conductors CHARLES OWENS and MARVIN WILLIAMS, Agent LETITIA BRISCOE, and Part-time Agent SHELDIA HORN. We wish them the very best of everything...Received a letter from Retired Yard Foreman ELMER STEVENS and his wife, CHARLOTTE, from Australia where they are living. They said they feel ten years younger since they've been there and their children love it too. The Australian people treat them so nice. They are still traveling around and have no permanent address as yet...On the sick list at this writing are Agent WILLIAM SHEEHAN and Motorman McRAYFIELD CALDWELL. Hope they both will be back to work soon.

- Verna Hartney

THIS HAPPY bride and groom are LINDA and MICHAEL HOFFERT. When this marriage was culminated on November 9 at Concordia Lutheran church, it merged two CTA families. Linda is the daughter of Repairman EARL RODGERS, Limits, and Michael is the son of JOHN HOFFERT, Electrical Department. Michael is a vacation relief clerk now assigned to Forest Glen.

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

We welcome F. PONZIO and J. McGARRITY to the department as outside checkers...Best wishes to BOB LAVOIE as a schedule maker...J. MUELLER is back to work after surgery, and C. KEELER has returned after a short illness...PATRICK CORBETT, the son of FRANK CORBETT and a freshman at St. Patrick's High school, made the "A" honor roll. He is 60th in his class of 472. Congratulations, Pat, and keep up the good work...Happy birthday to our ground hog birthday man, JOE VIOLA...Pensioner LAURA SCHRECKE came by and had lunch with some of her former co-workers, BERNIE KIZIOR, KAY BATINA, and MARGE VIDAL.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

Our deepest sympathy to ROBERT BUERGER, carpenter, and WILLIAM BUERGER, electrical worker, upon the loss of their father, WILLIAM BUERGER Sr., who was a retired foreman at Kimball Terminal Shop...MARIA VENTICINQUE, typist, is in Resurrection hospital recovering from an operation. Get well soon, Maria, we miss you... ROBERT BINNIE, electrical worker, is awaiting delivery of his new LTD Ford. Nice riding, Bob...Our condolences to the family of Pensioner JOHN HOLBAY who recently passed away.

- Everett E. England

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Best wishes to A. LONG, Congress, for a speedy recovery. Al is in Oak Park hospital recuperating from a heart attack...Our condolences to J. MARQUARDT, Congress, on the passing of his wife. Our sympathy is extended to the family of L. RICCIARDI, Congress, on the passing of his sister. Our regrets to the family of J. CANNELLA whose mother-in-law passed away...In search of greener pastures, F. RIO transferred from Congress to Logan, and J. LABELLARTE moved to 54th Street...Our regrets to the family of Pensioner WILLIAM BUERGER who passed away. ..Wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to JOHN COLLINS and JOHN WIERCIOCH, Kimball, who are off on the sick list...Condolences to the family of THOMAS MEEHAN, Kimball, who passed away on January 11 after a short illness...To start the new year off right, L. STEWART and F. FAWCETT, Kimball, enjoyed a week's vacation of fun and relaxation.

- Ray Brzeczek

WEST SECTION -

What a ball we had at the Lake Street Credit Union's annual meeting. When STEVE KOZMA, our president, announced the 5 per cent earnings for the year, it made all our little hearts happier. The food, prepared by DANNY BORE and his daughters, was delicious. A songfest started and was led by ART NEWMAN and his wife. In order to drown out Art, Mr. and Mrs. C. JONES, Mr. and Mrs. R. CRAWFORD, Mr. and Mrs. M. FIORE, the KUKOWINSKIS, the SICILIANOS, and JOE LONGO got into the act and it turned out great. ART and SHIRLEY FILIP came with all their children. They sure believe in the population explosion. The Healys were there, and they are going along with the trend, for they are awaiting their fourth child...Congra-

tulations to R. NEIGHBOR's wife, INGRID, who was born in Germany and has now received her citizenship papers. If we can only get a few more like her, this country can only get better...Your Co-reporter, SANTO SICILIANO, had a birthday and his family let the old man sleep until 9 o'clock. He had to do his household chores before they would let him rest again...Our fellow worker, L. McDONALD, decided to head back down south for his everyday cornbread and black eyed peas. So, we wish success on your new venture...Another great delivery was made by Reverend G. CLARK. He gave a sermon a few nights back over radio station WOPA, Oak Park, and as usual it was very articulate and quite inspiring. Perhaps J. GORDON, who is taking a course in radio announcing, can take a few pointers from Big George...While on the subject of big men, these guys: R. ROBERTSON, S. KOZMA, M. FIORE, G. CLARK, J. LANE, K. O'FLAHERTY, and L. WILLIAMS might suffer from a big bad cold during the winter months, but it's for certain that they will never suffer from anorexia. Some more big men, in another sense, are our tall men. These guys can all play basketball, with T. PATTERSON (6' 2"), J. WELLS (6' 2"), F. McMILLIAN (6' 7"), R. NANCE (6' 5"), and their center is fire plug C. DAVIS (5' 6"), who, in their last game scored six points when they dunked him in the basket three times...Here is a quote from the lips of TOMMY KING. "CIMMER's ears will rot before his tongue will." Cimmer retorted, "If brains were made of ink, Tommy King wouldn't have enough to write his own name."..BARNEY ROLAND had laryngitis and couldn't speak at all. Oh how the fellows wished I could have gotten it instead of Barney...Seeing Superintendent ED HEATTER leave everyday with a shopping bag, some of the fellows, without mentioning any names, are going to get another one for him so he can at least go home with matched luggage. I know he will blame me...Say, marriage made a change in the life of G. WOODMORE, who spends much of his time taking care of his fish and playing with his electric trains. It sure is a good way to keep young...The boys saw IKE HOUSTON flagging one cold day and on his head they saw a little boy's ear flap cap. Now his son, SERMAYNE, is complaining to his mother that daddy is wearing all his clothes, and the little fellow is only ten...Remember the elephant who is known for his memory? So if you say it, or do it, you can bet we won't forget it and this magazine will print it. So keep talking fellows and you will hear from us next month.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

69TH STREET -

Well, old "Hedda" will try to give you the low down Mrs. YOUNG. Your boy, MICKEY, did it again. TOM McDONALD, who follows him on 59th Street, had a smile from ear to ear when they finally posted new tables. Please take him in hand "Mame"...V. H. CHAMBERS has been called wolf in the restaurant in the a.m. Watch out for Vi, old buddy... GENE HOWE had two weeks of jury duty. He said that it was even better than working...F. STAWINSKI claims, with his bare face hanging out, that his wife gets up every morning to fix his breakfast. He checks before 5 a.m...J. LUCAS, instructor, still is trying to forecast the weather right just once...J. R. DAVIDSON's wife had a mild heart attack. They had just celebrated their wedding anniversary. Sorry, I forgot how many it was, but I know it was a lot... Who is working what, was the word after the clerk's pick. They sure moved around. A big welcome to PRICE and BROWN who came to 69th...Good old JERRY DUNN finally came back to work after a long illness. We all missed you, Jerry...The CTA credit union election was a big success. TIM MULVEY was elected to the credit committee. MEL TURNER, ED TIERNEY, and ED HIMEL were elected to the board of directors. There were so many prize winners that I just can't list them all. Wouldn't you know it, CHESTER WILLIAMS, former board member, was one of the lucky ones. Let's back these fellows up with our savings so they can make ours the biggest and best credit union of them all...HANK RISCH is back to work after having had his foot broken. He said he was going to take off a little weight and give his foot a break...Our sympathy and condolences to J. LYNCH who lost his wife. We of 69th and the old Cottage Grove Barn extend our deepest sympathy to the family of D. KENNEDY. He was always a fine friend and a grand fellow to know. JIMMY AHERN of the Repair department reports that everyone wishes GUS PAVELKA luck in his new assignment. He is now day foreman at 52nd Street Garage. Gus was day foreman at 69th for two years. GEORGE MORRELL took over as day foreman. He was formerly at 52nd. We wish them both well...MIKE MORRAN, BILL SIEJA, and T. McENAMEY are off sick at this time and we wish them a speedy recovery...BILL BRUNSON and BRYANT MASON are breaking in on repairs. Lots of luck, fellas, and do a good job...To JOE GAMEN down in Florida, and all the other pensioners, we wish you health and happiness for many, many years...How about some news fellows for that poor old mail box of mine? You pensioners drop a line to 69th Street Transit News in my name. This column is and belongs to you.

- Arthur P. Buesing

77TH STREET -

Operator LEVI FOSTER has returned to work after being off ill for about six months. He says he feels fine, and is looking great, too. Transfer Instructor J. LUCAS is also back to work after being confined for two weeks in the hospital...Instructor BURNETT HENDERSON and his wife, DOROTHY, celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary on December 12. Congratulations...ANITA RAWLING, the daughter of Operator TOM RAWLING, was 20 years old on December 13. DEBORAH HICKS, the daughter of Operator JAMES HICKS, was 19 years old on December 1. Hicks' grandson, MARC OUSLEY, was four years old on January 26...Birthday wishes also go out to SAM ANDERSON Jr., December 24. He is the son of "King Drive" ANDY... ALONZO and MATTIE WILSON celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary on December 22...Instructor RAY PRYOR has been appointed to supervising instructor at 77th Street. ..Operator WILLIAM J. POWELL Jr. celebrated his birthday on December 9, and his son, WILLIAM J. POWELL III, was four years old on December 27...Operator JOHN STOKES has returned to work after a very successful operation...DIANE and CHERYL BRAZIL, the daughters of Co-reporter JULIUS BRAZIL, celebrated their birthdays in December. Diane was six on the 9th, and Cheryl was four on the 30th...We've been trying to find out why Supervisor WILLIAM "Bill" FLYNN is having so much trouble with his car behind the station. Why the tow truck?.."The Mates" are preparing for the big walleye run next month. All you fisherman, are you ready?..By the time a man finds greener pastures, he can't climb the fence.

- Amos Foster & Julius Brazil

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News Briefs

Welcomes Son to Pensioners' Ranks

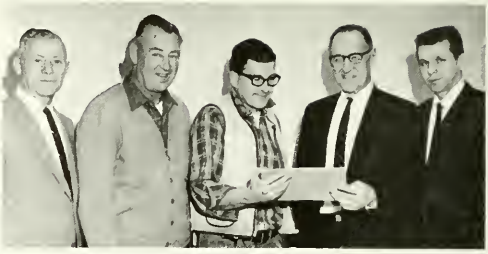
WHEN WEST Section Motorman Clarence (Butch) Brieger retired March 1 after 42 years of service, many of his CTA friends, both active and retired, showed up to wish him well--including his father, William A. Brieger, pictured at right, below. Also a retired West Section Trainman, the senior Mr. Brieger retired in September, 1950, after 47 years' service with the Met, CRT, and CTA.

1969 CTA Group Tour Announced

THE ITINERARY of the 1969 tour for CTA employes includes stops in Spain, Portugal, and Morocco. Date of departure will be September 13 or 14. For further information write: Miss Jane Mitchell, CTA Room 734, Merchandise Mart, Chicago, Illinois 60654.

Marine First Aid Training Practiced by Motorman

"I DIDN'T think about it, I just did it," were the words used by Motorman Thomas Patterson, West Section, when asked what prompted him to give mouth to mouth resuscitation to a passenger who suffered a heart attack on his train. Tom, a CTA employe since November, 1967, learned first aid while in the marines. He also stated that if a similar incident should recur his reaction would probably be the same.



Four Complete Apprenticeships

COMPLETING A four-year apprenticeship in accordance with U.S. Department of Labor standards were the four employes pictured here with supervisory personnel. Shown above receiving his certificate from W. J. Klempier, supervisor of building and maintenance, is J. O'Connor (center) who completed his carpenter apprenticeship. Looking on, from left, are L. Felckowski, construction carpenter foreman, L. Anderson, general foreman of carpentry, and W. C. Hallford, assistant supervisor of building maintenance. In the picture below, E. R. Hendrickson (left), superintendent of Rapid Transit Shops and Terminals, is presenting certificates to G. Wilson, R. Piantkowski, and W. Eberhart who completed the electrical workers apprenticeship at Skokie Shops.

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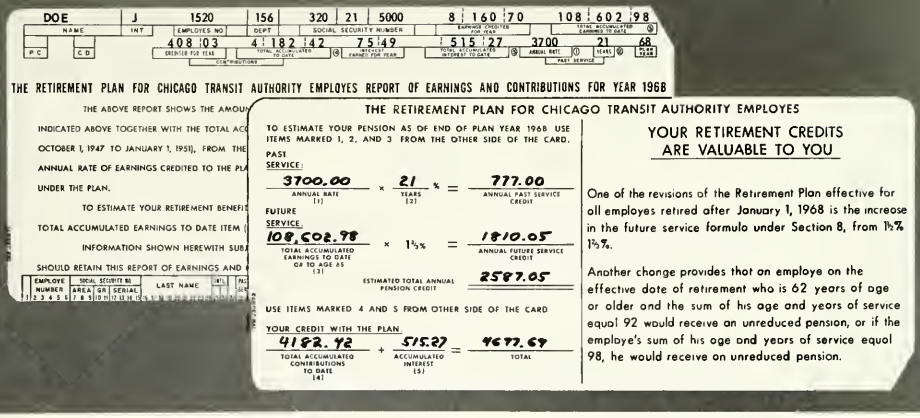

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THE RETIREMENT PLAN FOR CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY EMPLOYES

TO ESTIMATE YOUR PENSION AS OF END OF PLAN YEAR 1968 USE ITEMS MARKED 1, 2, AND 3 FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE CARD.

PAST SERVICE:

3700.00 (ANNUAL RATE [1]) × 21 (YEARS [2]) % = 777.00 (ANNUAL PAST SERVICE CREDIT)

FUTURE SERVICE:

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YOUR CREDIT WITH THE PLAN:

4182.42 (TOTAL ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS TO DATE [4]) + 515.27 (ACCUMULATED INTEREST [5]) = 4697.69 (TOTAL)

YOUR RETIREMENT CREDITS ARE VALUABLE TO YOU

One of the revisions of the Retirement Plan effective for all employes retired after January 1, 1968 is the increase in the future service formula under Section 8, from 1½% 1⅔%.

Another change provides that an employe on the effective date of retirement who is 62 years of age or older and the sum of his age and years of service equal 92 would receive an unreduced pension, or if the employe's sum of his age and years of service equal 98, he would receive an unreduced pension.

Report Cards Show Pension Plan Credit

RETIREMENT PLAN report cards showing each employe's credit in the Plan as of December 31, 1968, will be distributed system-wide between April 2 and 10, according to W. A. Ashley, Plan secretary.

The cards may be used to estimate retirement benefits and total credit with the Plan as of the last payday of 1968, as was done in the facsimile above. Employes are advised to retain the cards for ready reference.

Mr. Ashley also announced that during 1968 approval was given by the Retirement Committee to 439 pension applications of CTA employes. Of that total, 175 applicants had reached the normal retirement age of 65 years, 196 were early retirements in the age group under 65, and 68 were disability retirements.

Contributions to the Retirement Plan during 1968 totaled $14,424,548--contributions by employes were $5,152,440, and CTA contributions amounted to $9,272,108. Approved during the year were disbursements totaling $10,893,200 covering payments to retired employes, refunds to employes who terminated their services and to deceased employes' beneficiaries, and expenses of administration.

During 1968 assets of the fund increased $6,479,324, making a total of $59,665,773 as of December 31 held by the Continental Illinois Bank and Trust company, trustee for the Plan.

Of these funds held by the trustee, $59,135,091 are invested in U.S. government securities, Farm Home Administration loans, corporate bonds and notes, common stock, and CTA revenue bonds.

As a result of the arbitration award handed down November 2, 1968, the Retirement Plan was revised effective January 1, 1968.

A revision affecting employes who retired after January 1, 1968, is the change in the benefit formula which increased the future service formula under Section 8 of the Plan from $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ to $1\frac{2}{3}\%$.

Another change provides an unreduced pension for an employe who, on the effective date of retirement is 62 years of age or older and the sum of his age and years of service equal 92, or if the sum of his age and years of service equal 98, regardless of age.

Another change provided an increase in the monthly retirement benefit of those employes who retired on or before January 1, 1968. The monthly retirement allowance benefit for these employes was increased $20 per month.

The retroactive payment to cover the increase was made in two payments, the first of which was to all retired employes who retired January 1, 1968, or before. This payment totaled $1,114,740 and was made on November 30, 1968.

The second payment, for those employes who retired after January, 1968, was processed after the retirement benefits were recomputed under the new formula and the retroactive payment was made on December 31, 1968, in the amount of $46,200.

A change which affects the amount of retirement benefits was made, providing that the minimum normal retirement allowance benefit for an employe who had 20 years of service and attained the age of 65 would be $150 and the minimum retirement allowance benefit for an employe who qualified under the disability allowance provision of the Plan will be no less than $150.

Suggestion Plan Launches Another Big Year

- *$705 in Cash Awards*
- *28 Jewel $7 Gift Certificates*
- *New Zippo Lighter/Tape Rule Award*

IN JUST two months time, between January 1 and February 28, CTA suggesters earned cash awards totaling $705 and received 28 Jewel-Osco $7 gift certificates for their adopted suggestions.

Six of the cash award winners, who won $25 each as Honorable Mention awards for their second adoptable ideas within a year, included: General Office—Regina Daren, Medical Department; Joanne M. Fenn, Insurance Department; Sidney L. Jacobson, Office Services, and Gerry McManamon, Employe Relations Department. Transportation—Myrtle Apitz, North Section. Shops & Equipment—William P. Rafferty, South Shops. Each winner of a second Honorable Mention also received a gift certificate.

Among the other cash award winners was a Shops & Equipment Department employe at South Shops, Ben Pabisinski, who won 2 cash awards ($60 and $25) and 2 gift certificates in 2 days. For their suggestions, two other men from South Shops also shared in the cash awards and gift certificates, Juozas M. Bagdzius who won $25 and Adolph C. Gemmet who won $60. From the General Office, another cash award winner was Robert D. Heinlein who received $350 and a gift certificate.

As a supplemental award for his suggestion adopted a year ago, John R. Kalinowski, S&E-South Shops, was awarded $35.

Named as winners of Honorable Mention awards because they submitted their first adoptable suggestions, making them eligible to receive gift certificates are: Transportation--Elijah N. Coleman, Archer; Carl W. Hansen, North Park; Willie Hill, Loomis; George J. Jaros, 69th Street; Harry W. Rons, 69th Street; Clara Sala, West Section, and J. G. Steinbach, Lawndale. Shops & Equipment--Charles Gerard, South Shops; Howard P. Goerner, South Shops; Larry Jareckas, South Shops; Charles R. O'Malley, Kedzie Garage, and Leonard Tucek, South Shops. Engineering--Edward D. Gertz, South Shops; William A. Mulwee, 63rd & Calumet, and Edgar Shaw, West Shops. General Office--Joanne M. Fenn, Insurance, and Walter J. Thomas, Schedule-Traffic.

Starting April 1, for every adopted suggestion, employes will have a choice of awards. They can choose the $7 gift certificate, which may be used as payment on any purchase in a Jewel, Osco, or Turnstyle store. Or they may choose the new award--a beautiful combination package containing a Zippo lighter and tape rule. You make the choice when you turn in the stub for your suggestion, after its adoption is announced on the special bulletin board. In addition to these awards, employes who submit a second Honorable Mention (or small savings) award which is adopted with a one-year period are entitled to a minimum cash award of $25. Higher cash award are presented in accordance with greater savings to the Authority--up to a maximum award of $10,000.

HONORED RECENTLY by the National Association of Suggestion Systems were CTA's two "Best Suggesters," Regina Daren, Medical Department, and James Forrestal, South Shops, who are holding citations which were presented by Fred Guerin, NASS director. CTA supervisory personnel looking on include E. Nelson (left), general foreman, Shops and Equipment Department, and Dr.S.D.Mosny, medical director.

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CHAIRMAN

TO ALL EMPLOYES:

Each year, Chicago Transit Authority launches a month-long campaign to emphasize the benefits of purchasing U.S. Savings Bonds through the payroll savings plan. We are pleased to announce that during the month of April all employes of the Authority will be contacted by a fellow worker and given the opportunity of beginning a savings program or adding to an established plan.

Again this year, E Bond purchasers will have the opportunity to buy Freedom Shares which provide even greater returns on their investments. Freedom Shares have a shorter maturity period, 4½ years, and bear a higher interest rate, 5%. They can be purchased only in combination with regular E Bonds on approximately a one-for-one basis. Although E Bonds can still be purchased separately, the maximum benefit comes from the combination purchase -- it's like an added bonus.

We urge you to join the Payroll Savings Plan if you are not signed up now, to buy Freedom Shares if you are now purchasing E Bonds, and to take advantage of this easy-to-save method by increasing your allotment for the purchase of bonds and shares.

For many years, CTA was one of a select group of about 90 large companies in the United States who had more than 50% participation in payroll savings plans. We regret that in 1968, our participation slipped to just under the 50% mark -- 48.9% and we lost this great honor. We hope that in 1969 we can regain our place with a higher than ever degree of participation. In no other way can we so greatly benefit our country and at the same time, ourselves.

Because of the greater interest rates and tax advantages, Savings Bonds and Freedom Shares are now an even more attractive way to finance college educations for your children, to save for a home or new car, or to establish a retirement program for yourself. If you are interested in learning how to save for such purposes, ask the fellow employe who contacts you to explain the plan.

We urge you to consider carefully this opportunity and to sign up now for the Payroll Savings Plan. E Bonds and Freedom Shares mean security not only for you, but for our country, too. And remember, you can increase your participation at any time of the year by contacting your department head. You needn't wait for the bond drive month to take advantage of the plan.

T. B. O'Connor

G. L. DeMent

SHARE IN AMERICA '69

Mary Clarke Retires After 45 Years in Training Field

WITH THE retirement of Mary E. Clarke, Transit News lost one of its greatest supporters--its No. 1 reporter. Miss Clarke retired April 1 as statistical section supervisor of CTA's Training and Accident Prevention Department.

On March 27, Miss Clarke was feted at a dinner in her honor which was attended by more than 200 of her friends and co-workers. She is shown above receiving a retirement portfolio and best wishes from Operating Manager Charles E. Keiser.

Miss Clarke began working for the Chicago Rapid Transit company on June 4, 1923, as a clerk in the office of the safety engineer. That department's responsibility related chiefly to the instruction and retraining of motorman and conductors. The job necessitated the dedication to duty and deep personal involvement which she exhibited by remaining in that line of work throughout her 45 years' service. But, in addition to that, Miss Clarke was always an employe who could be depended upon to lend a helping hand when unusual conditions so demanded it. She served as a nurse on the rapid transit hospital car at the Mundelein Eucharistic Congress in 1926, prepared coffee for workers shoveling snow off "L" platforms, and distributed those life-saving funds to needy employes during the depression.

Following the takeover of the rapid transit and streetcar companies by CTA in 1947, the instruction of employes was consolidated in a single Training and Accident Prevention Department. In the newly-formed department, Miss Clarke served first as administrative assistant to its superintendent, and in August, 1961, became statistical section supervisor, the position which she held at the time of her retirement.

The success of that department has been demonstrated by the declining accident frequency rate experienced by CTA. In her job, Miss Clarke waged war on accidents not from behind a driving wheel, but from behind her desk, where she was armed with graphs and statistics which permitted her to make recommendations for more intensive training and reducing accident hazards.

In addition to her regular duties, Miss Clarke has been the Transit News scribe for the General Office since December, 1948, and has served longer than any other reporter.

Miss Clarke, who resides at 317 S. Oak Park avenue in west suburban Oak Park, has made no definite plans for her retirement.

ON BEHALF of their men, the superintendents of five operating stations accepted awards citing their stations for safety achievements during 1968. Each of the stations beat its own record by having fewer accidents than in its previous safest year. The presentation of award plaques to superintendents was made by Operating Manager Charles E. Keiser at the March 7 meeting of day superintendents, when Mr. Keiser also announced that coffee and rolls would be served to personnel at each of the five stations. Holding plaques are, from left: J. A. Knerr, 77th Street; R. W. Meisner, 61st Street; G. T. May, Limits; Mr. Keiser; M. F. Harrington, Archer, and H. P. Braun, Lawndale.

New CTA Advisory Committee Named

THE MEMBERSHIP of a new Citizens' Customer Relations committee to advise CTA on matters of improving service and pleasing customers was recently announced by George L. DeMent, chairman of Chicago Transit Board.

Warren A. Logelin, vice president of AMSTED Industries, has accepted chairmanship of the committee.

Members of the committee include, from left-seated: Mrs. Connie Seals, community relations, The Urban League; James O'Connor, public relations, Commonwealth Edison company; Mr. DeMent, Mr. Logelin; Roy Bradstrum Jr., Chicago area public relations manager, Illinois Bell Telephone company; Peter Benton, regional public relations director, John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance; standing: Frank Faraone, regional public relations director, General Motors corporation; Thomas C. Sullivan, manager regional public relations, General Electric company; Norman Ross, vice president, First National Bank of Chicago; Irwin Klass, public relations, Chicago Federation of Labor and Industrial union council AFL-CIO; James M. Patterson, director of public relations, American Oil company; Hale Nelson, consultant; William H. Newby, director of community relations, Jewel companies, Inc. Missing from photo: Ed Marciniak, planning department, City of Chicago, and Rembrandt C. Hiller Jr., midwest public relations director, Sears, Roebuck and company.

16 Named in New Shops Department Promotions

IN BULLETINS issued recently by Superintendent of Garages J. W. Dain, 16 Shops and Equipment Department employes were promoted to new positions at surface system garages. The appointments were approved by J. J. Repplinger, superintendent of surface system shops and garages, and L. G. Anderson, superintendent of Shops and Equipment.

Effective March 2, Tim Riordan was appointed supervisor of garages at Forest Glen, Limits, and North Park.

Named in appointments effective February 1 were Wilburt A. Jarchow as day foreman at Beverly Garage, Joseph Ritrovato as day foreman at Lawndale Garage, Joseph M. Fiorita as day foreman at North Avenue Garage, Terrence J. McGuigan as p.m. foreman at 52nd Street Garage, James R. Pankonen as p.m. foreman at Kedzie Garage, Thomas S. Gecan as p.m. foreman at North Avenue Garage, Leonard J. Bottando as relief foreman at Archer Garage, Terrence P. Reilly as relief foreman at Lawndale Garage, Lee A. Harper as relief foreman at Kedzie Garage, and Fred Schmidt as night foreman at Lawndale Garage. Mr. Schmidt was subsequently transferred March 2 to the position of night foreman at Keeler Garage.

In an appointment which became effective February 23, Donald W. Berge was named relief foreman at 69th Street Garage.

Assuming their new assignments on March 2 were Bruno J. Feret as day foreman at 77th Street Garage, Harold R. McGann as night foreman at Lawndale Garage, William J. Lambert as day assistant foreman at 69th Street Garage, and William J. Joseph as p.m. foreman at 77th Street Garage.

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin,

CTA Medical Consultant

USE AND ABUSE OF DRUGS

THE SUBJECT of drugs in the field of medicine is so extensive that it would be impossible to discuss it in great detail here. Therefore, I will confine my discussion to some of the more common aspects of the use and abuse of certain drugs. Moreover, research has developed so many new drugs that it is difficult to keep abreast of newly-marketed products.

Drugs can benefit all mankind when used as intended. When abused they can be very harmful. Millions of dollars are spent annually for drugs. Both the layman and the physician should consider the benefit and also the harm which may result from the use of drugs before a decision is made to use them.

Substances with abuse potentials range from simple kitchen spices and common flowers to highly researched and developed sophisticated drugs. A few of the common and popular categories or classifications of drugs are: (1) antibiotics, (2) narcotics, (3) tranquilizers, (4) sedatives, (5) stimulants, (6) hallucinogens, and (7) steroids or cortisone.

(1) Penicillin and its derivatives are antibiotics most commonly used to combat and cure infections such as pneumonia, peritonitis, etc. As we all know, they have saved many lives when properly used. However, they do not help illnesses due to virus infections. Moreover, if used improperly, they can be frequently harmful and occasionally fatal. Some of the untoward effects of antibiotics are headaches, skin rashes, diarrhea, and destructive processes in the blood which lower the natural body resistance.

(2) Narcotics, medically defined, are drugs which produce insensibility or stupor due to their depressant effect on the central nervous system. Included in this group are opium derivatives such as morphine, codeine, heroin, and cocaine. The latter drug, cocaine, is a stimulant, not a depressant, but for law-enforcement purposes it is considered a narotic. All of these narcotic drugs are essential to the ethical practice of medicine. However, to the abuser, these same medically useful drugs affect the nervous system producing abnormal emotional responses and reactions. After repeated use, one becomes an addict and feels he cannot live without them.

(3) Tranquilizers are drugs used to counteract tension and anxiety without significantly impairing mental and physical function. They are commonly used in psychoses, insomnia, nervous tension, cerebral palsy, Parkinson's disease, epilepsy, headaches, backaches, alcoholism, spastic colitis, high blood pressure, menopause, etc. Some of the unfavorable reactions are drowsiness, slowing of mental reactions, dizziness, skin rashes, liver damage, and changes in the elements of the blood. They are sometimes blamed for traffic accidents. However, when used as ordered by your physician, the results are gratifying and successful.

(4) Sedatives are used primarily to induce sleep. The barbiturates are the basic and active principles in this group of drugs. They are useful for a short-term, but when used for a long time they can become very harmful.

(5) Stimulants are the drugs which stimulate the central nervous system. Among the most widely known is caffeine, an ingredient of coffee, tea, cola, and other beverages. Cocaine is one of the stimulant drugs and others include amphetamines. These so-called "pep pills" are used to reduce appetite in obesity and relieve mild depression such as occurs in menopause, grief, and senility. Everyone wants additional energy nowadays, so they look to this group of drugs to get it.

(6) The hallucinogen drugs cause distortions of perception, dream images, and hallucinations. A few of the more common ones are LSD, DMT, and marijuana. This group of drugs, abused by the "Hippies" and others, are not prescribed by ethical physicians.

(7) The steroids are a very popular and recently developed group of drugs. Cortisone belongs to this group, and was at one time called the "miracle drug" for the cure of arthritis. We know now that this is not true. However, when used judiciously, cortisone can produce some marvelous results. Some of the harmful effects are water retention in the tissue of the body, formation of ulcers in the stomach and bowels, and also detrimental changes in the composition of the blood.

This article is not intended to condemn all the drugs under consideration. Its main purpose is to alert people to the fact that results can be both good and bad. Remember, the same drug may react differently in different people. Finally, let me urge you to see your family doctor if you feel the need of any drugs. Don't depend upon the advice of your neighbor and buy drugs which are sold over the counter.

QUESTION: What special projects will you undertake this spring?

INQUIRING REPORTER: Ray Brzeczek

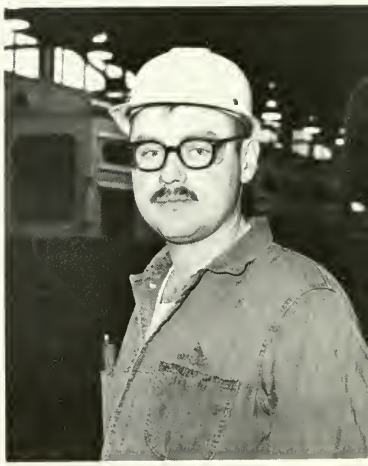
LOCATION: Rapid Transit Terminal Inspection Shops

MATHEW BUCHANAN, car serviceman, Wilson (with reporter Ray Brzeczek): "To do some work around and in the house and make my flower garden more beautiful will be my special project this year."

JOHN KOGER (left), repairman, Forest Park: "My special project this year is the same one that happens every third year--house painting. I have five rooms to paint, plus cleaning out the basement. The thing that makes this project so special is that I'm not much of a painter, therefore I really have to concentrate on getting the job done."

YOUNG PATE Jr. (right), repairman, 61st Street: "To take my wife and two children on a tour of Canada and New York while on vacation this spring is my special project. I shall also take a little time to pursue my favorite hobbies, bowling and swimming."

JOHN WIERCIOCH (left), repairman, Kimball: "As of now my wife is in the hospital and my special project is to get her out in good health and then go fishing for the big ones up in Minnesota."



DAVID WITTENBERG (right), repairman, Congress: "Keeping with the springtime tradition of home beautification, painting the house--inside and out--will be my first project. I believe I will put up some bright new wall paper. The color, perhaps a soft red rose. Being sports minded, I think I'll also build a gun cabinet for the sporting arms I have."

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING -

THOMAS FOLTA, former bus repairman and the son of WILLIAM FOLTA, assistant general accountant, married RITA MAE DAVIS on February 1 in a ceremony at St. Catherine of Siena church, Oak Park, Illinois. The reception was held at the Hillside Country Club, Hillside, Illinois...STANLEY MAILUCK's trip to Mexico started offwith an unexpected delay of one day in St. Louis when his train missed connections. Luckily the Mailucks were not too inconvenienced and had a lovely trip touring throughout Mexico by bus and train...RAY SCHRAMM, Voucher, is convalescing at home very nicely after his recent illness... Friends of ROSE JAMES, M&S retiree, were sorry to hear of her passing...ROBERT HILL, retired Revenue Accountant, was inadvertently omitted from the list of guests at the Revenue Accounting Christmas party. He sends his greetings, as does BETTY SUHR from Arizona...The Accounting Department joins the Training and Accident Prevention Department in wishing Reporter MARY E. CLARKE all the best in her retirement.

(Tabulating) -

FLORENCE PARROTT welcomed a new little granddaughter on February 15. This future beauty contest winner will be called LAURA ELIZABETH PAVONE...EVELYN LEU, your acting reporter, spent her vacation in Chicago—enjoying the great February weather...Condolences to PATRICIA POLIC on the death of her father, MARTIN POLICH, Building Department retiree, who passed away after a short illness on February 27.

- Evelyn Leu

(Revenue) -

It's that sunshine and flower season and time to hear from the Revenue Section again. Several changes in employment positions have occurred. ROBBIE JONES is now in Payroll, JOE CUCI is now in Engineering, and JOHN JESTICE is now a supply clerk at South Shops. Best of luck to all of you!..FRANK J. OSTERBERGER, transfer section, took an early retirement effective April 1. Our best wishes for his happiness...New faces we see are those of PHIL MANGAN and BOB PETERSON who are presently employed as file clerks, REBECCA WILSON, comptometer operator, and JOSEPH THOMAS, transfer counter...Hello to all of our CTA friends ill at home. ANNE WEINSTOCK, who suffered an injury to her right arm, is still recuperating and doing her daily exercises (jogging and things like that). STELLA CIEZADLO and LORRAINE McEVILLY have both returned home from their stays in the hospital. Good to hear that, girls! LORRAINE BUEHLER is ill in Christ Community hospital. Cards and letters are always appreciated from those who remember...Our condolences are sent to RAY CORBEL whose mother, Mrs. ADELINE CORBEL, passed away on March 16. Services were held at the Hursen Funeral home...If you have noticed a radiance on many faces in Revenue, it's due to some cheery news going around. Your scribe, CLOTILDE MRZENA, balance clerk, has announced her engagement to JAMES J. FRANKIEWICZ. James is presently employed as a sales representative for the Smith-Corona Marchant Corp. A November wedding is in sight. Spring IS a lovely time, isn't it?..With rejuvinated spirits, we find our vacationers have returned. JUNE NOREN took life easy just relaxing in Chicago and enjoying the company of friends. Mr. A. J. FITZSIMONS took advantage of the Windy City during his recent days of leisure, but on his return he was welcomed with 74 degree weather. ESTHER ERMANN had the pleasure of visiting Minnesota during her vacation. Though each day was hectic and passed too quickly, seeing her family and friends was worthwhile.

- Clotilde Mrzena

BEVERLY -

Don't forget the "Big Retreat" at Notre Dame, August 15-17, starting with Friday night dinner and ending with Sunday dinner. Reverand Michael Foran invites CTA men every year and puts the welcome mat out for us. If you need a ride, see Pensioner ERNIE TOCCI or your scribe... We hope you have filed your income tax, but if you haven't, see Receiver AL BROMAN as he knows all the tax laws and will gladly help you, and save you money if he can...We wish a speedy recovery to Operator HARRY DeLORME who is at St. George's hospital, to our old buddy from Archer, JOHN OGAR, who is on the sick list, also to Operator ERNEST BARNES, of 95th street, who is in the hospital... We express our sympathy to ART DAVISTON in the loss of his mother, and to Operator JOHN MAHONEY whose mother went to her eternal reward...Thanks again to Operators JOHN METKE and BEN THOMAS for the boxes of clothing and cigarettes donated to the patients at Tinley Park State hospital. Thank God we have men like them who take a little time and effort to think of someone else once in awhile.

- Tom Daniels

CLAIM -

MIKE O'SULLIVAN, 13, the son of DON O'SULLIVAN, investigator, a member of boy scout Flaming Arrow Troop 51, is to be congratulated on some fine work. About 200 boys from scout troops of Chicago participated in the annual competition of unraveling ropes at record speed during the Klondike derby, and out of these 200 boys, Mike was

WHO ME? Let go of this table? Never! This seems to be what little KIM MICHELLE COOK is saying while bracing herself. Kim, who was one year old in January, is the granddaughter of North Park Operator H. A. COOK.

the winner. Congratulations, Mike, keep up the good work. ..DAVE MUNYER has recently returned from a three-week vacation in Los Angeles, California, where he visited Marineland, Disneyland, The Wax Museum, Knotts Berry Farm, and other points of interest. From L.A., he took the scenic cruise to Las Vegas through the mountains and desert, and spent four enjoyable days there. Driving back, he visited the Calico Ghost Town in Yermo, California... Our deepest sympathy is extended to MARIE ALBINO whose mother recently passed away, and to WILLIAM CONNOLLY whose father passed away...The welcome mat is rolled out to a few newcomers in the department. MARIAN MICHARD, who came from Reproduction Services, to JIM PRYMA, a graduate of Mother of Good Counsel High school, and to SUE HALLAHAN, a former Californian.

- Peggy Hallahan & Shari Pupa

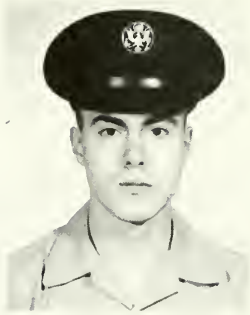
CONGRESS (Agents) -

Agent ERWIN STORKE, formerly of North Avenue Depot, has joined the ranks of pensioners after 42 years of service. He will begin his new life by visiting his son who is stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia...Agent LAWRENCE FRICOT is on the sick list. What a way to spend your birthday. Hurry and get well, Larry...Pensioner MOLLY SHIELDS is at this time in Mercy hospital due to an attack of asthma and pneumonia...Agents MARY NOLAN, MARY DOYLE, and myself have just had a vacation break. It felt so good not having to hear that alarm go off at 3 a.m. every morning...STANLEY BANAK and his wife, BERNICE, celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary with their wonderful family at the Plentiwood restaurant, Sunday, February 23. I hope you'll invite me to your 50th...A great big welcome to all our new employes. We are looking forward to hearing and writing about your happy times...The vacations are picked and planned, so we should get a lot of news. We have over 5,000 pensioners. Where are they? I am offering a floral piece to be awarded before the Christmas holiday to the person sending the most news items between now and December 15. A second floral award will be given to the person who catches the most fish. Keep a record and show the proof of your catch...I am stationed at Kedzie and Congress, but you can always leave or send your news item in a sealed envelope in care of the clerks at Desplaines and Congress.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL (Blue Island) -

The 23rd annual dinner honoring the retiring personnel of the Electrical Department will be held on May 2 at Harrington's. Tickets are available from committee members H. COYNE, R. DORGAN, and R. FERGUSON...Warm weather and sunny skies have a special appeal at this time of the year. Mr. and Mrs. JOHN RUSNAK vacationed in California and Mexico, LEROY and PEARL KUTCHINS enjoyed the sun and sand at Acapulco, Mexico, and MILLIE and RALPH JOSSI spent their vacation at St. Petersburg, Florida. Others enjoying a winter vacation are J. GIBBONS, F. CLEMENS, J. WALLON, F. GRIFFIN, and L. WINOWITZ... Congratulations to W. SIMONS on 33 years of service with CTA...Our deepest sympathy is extended to the families of HERBERT STOREY and BERNARD P. KIRCHENS. Mr. Storey passed away on January 27, and Mr. Kirchens on January 23. Our sympathy also to A. SCHUSTER on the loss of his mother, and to the family of PAUL NEWMAN...



AIRMAN CARL L. WISINSKI, the son of Forest Glen Operator HENRY WISINSKI, has been assigned to Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, for training in aircraft maintenance. Before entering the military service, Carl was a student at Lewis Technical institute.

Pensioners GILBERT ANDREWS, CLYDE PETERSON, and RALPH WHITE came in for a visit. We enjoyed seeing you and hope you drop in again real soon...JAMES BOOTH, the son of ROBERT BOOTH, won second place in the Grammar School Science Fair. Jim used electricity as his display topic. February is the birth month of many outstanding men. We have quite a few working here at Blue Island. Happy birthday, fellows, J. HAYDON, S. CHARLETON, R. GRISETO, W. KOPKE, E. DOMER, W. STAUNTON, J. LAMB, P. MICHALWITZ, J. LACKI, R. O'BRIEN, J. HERMAN, J. FELHABER, N. LORENZI, E. MENZEL, W. SPITZOCK, and E. OUSLEY.

- William Rehder

(General Office) -

CHARLES R. BELL, apprentice testing technician, and LYNN VUJNOVICH, Stores Department, announced their wedding plans for June 7. Lynn's grandfather, RALPH, was a machinist at Skokie Shops and her father, THOMAS, is a mechanic at South Shops. Chuck's grandfather, WILLIAM D., was a motorman at North Avenue and his father, WILLIAM A., is a foreman at South Shops. Congratulations, Chuck and Lynn...BERNADETTE KIZIOR spent a week in Aspen, Colorado, skiing. This was her first attempt at skiing and she did very well. She thoroughly enjoyed herself, even though she returned quite exhausted...ROY KUTCHINS and his wife spent two weeks vacationing in Acapulco, Mexico. Leaving cold weather and snow behind, they just relaxed in the sun and took in the sights. Of course, they are both looking forward to returning to Acapulco.

- Donna Kaminski

ENGINEERING—RESEARCH & PLANNING -

The Engineering Department welcomes ANNETTE HEFTER. She began her duties as secretarial stenographer to E. E. OLMSTEAD, superintendent of engineering. Annette previously worked in Traffic Planning, Transportation Department...We wish to say hello to J. B. O'REILLY who has been on sick leave. Hope you are feeling better and well on the road to complete recovery...We are all glad to hear that HELEN LOFTUS in Real Estate is well on the road to recovery after her operation. We all miss you, Helen, and hope to see you soon...SANDRA CLAUSEN, stenographer, Real Estate, announced her engagement to RON PFEIFFER, "A" electrician in the Insurance Exchange building, on February 3. A wedding date has been set for November 1, 1969. Sandy is the daughter of MELVIN CLAUSEN, state-

mentman, Claim Department. Congratulations and best wishes to Ron and Sandy...GEORGE MACAK is happy with the new Pontiac Catalina he purchased...HERMAN JAMES returned to work after serving jury duty for two weeks. He served on a very interesting case that appeared in all the newspapers...JOSEPHINE FELDMANN at this writing is doing her civic duty by serving jury duty.

(West Shops) -

A bit of heroism was displayed recently when WAYNE HANSEN, assistant to JIM LeMOND in the Plant Equipment Maintenance Department, saved a man from being severely injured. JOE CHRISTOI, West Shops' favorite electrician, had an accident in the boiler room and suffered torn ankle ligaments in the process. He might have received more than that if Wayne Hansen hadn't come to his aid. There were a few moments of tension while waiting for the ambulance, and panic was felt by more than a few. However, after a few days in the hospital, Joe is at home in his wife's tender care. Joe is also the secretary of the CTA Credit Union and a darn good one. While at home waiting for that ankle to heal, he had practically the whole credit union office shipped to him...I thought with things as they are today there wasn't any close family ties anymore. But, we saw an example of just that when we were surprised with a visit from TOM WOLGEMUTH's wife and son recently. Tom is superintendent of structures and it looks like his son, CRAIG, is a chip off the old block. It was said that he was quite entranced with his daddy's blueprints...WEST SHOPS FLASH: What employe in the Building Division has the snazziest reversible vest you've ever seen?..Congratulations to GINNY SCOTT on her blank, blank birthday. The blanks stand for her age, nothing derogatory. She brought a beautiful cake to the office. Ginny said she had a lovely dinner and received many beautiful gifts from her family and friends...Another note about Tom Wolgemuth. The men who work under his supervision have much to admire and appreciate. Tom, your yearly letter to your men was the most well written and most thoughtful gesture I have seen displayed since being with the Engineering Department.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

Hi men. Now that we have picked our vacations I hope each man was able to get what he wanted. Anyway, you can start planning for your well-earned rest, and remember to send me the full details of any trips, fishing, etc...On our retirement list this month is our friend CARL LILJEHORN who left us on March 28. This fine gentleman has retired to Mountain, Wisconsin. Carl said that after he and the wife are set up in their new home, we are all invited to drop in anytime. Good luck, Carl, and let us hear from you now and then...Supervisor E. WULSKI just returned from the sick list and at present is on the terminal board. He is planning to leave about May or June. Seems like we are losing all our good men...TOM and JOYCE CHESTERS became the proud parents of a baby boy on February 4 who was named BRIAN JOSEPH. Sorry to say that this happy event was marred by the death of Tom's father-in-law on February 3...The army is getting two of our finest young men who I am sure will see that this so-called war will end fast. Operator and Mrs. CHRIST PANTOS bid farewell to their son, STEVE, on February 13. Steve said that when the enemy sees his muscles it will be the end of the war. Operator NICK CONSTANTINO's son, NICK Jr., entered the service on February 20. He decided to get his time in now so that he would still have a lot of young life left to enjoy—the good life that can be found in Niles, Illinois. I am sure that each and all wish these boys the best and a quick return...Let's drop a happy birthday note to ROCKY MALFESE who was 49 on March 1. Did we say 49? Oh well, Rocky can still dream, at least it makes him happy...WALTER BLIX was seen wearing socks full of hearts on Valentine's day. Now we would all like to know about his shorts. Well, Blix, can we get an answer?..TIGNAC is next on our list. LOU and his lovely wife are known as the traveling Tignacs of Forest Glen. This year, in fact this month, they will be taking a three-week cruise in the Carribean and I am sure we will all see some more of those beautiful shirts as only Lou wears. Have fun and enjoy yourselves, folks, and come back with some good stories and nice pictures which we all would enjoy seeing...ROBERT EVARTS finally became a grandfather on January 20. No wonder the old boy has slowed down on the street. The baby is doing fine, but the grandparents, PEARL and BOB, seem to have added an extra year to their lives. Bob says he will have to get use to being called grandpa. The baby's name is CHRISTINE RUTH EVARTS, and the parents are ever so happy. More to follow, they state...JOE LABIACANGA recently returned from a trip to Honolulu. As I understand it, he went over to purchase more land. Now, Joe, the Pantos and the Henrys would like to know if that beautiful lady was with you on the trip? After all, you need someone to share the rest of your life with and I do believe that she could fill the bill...FRANK CARPINO and his lovely wife just returned from Miami, Florida, where they visited with E. MUCHA and C. KERR, both retired CTA employes of Forest Glen. Frank came back very tanned and started selling early retirement plans to the boys. I suppose he is looking forward to another trip if business is good...WILLIAM BARRON was also in Miami, Florida. Maybe he and his Mrs. were trying to catch up with the Carpinos and get some of that early retirement money...Operator WAYNE GRIFFIN is hospitalized and would like to hear from his many friends and co-workers. Get well wishes are sent to JOE NOLAN, treasurer of Lawndale credit union, and AL RAHN, sanitation engineer of Forest Glen...Pensioner LEE BORGSTROM passed away this month. Condolences to his family...A retirement dinner was given for RAY GRAY and A. LAUTER and was attended by 136 people. Speakers in-

A PROUD CTA family recently gathered to show off the newest addition, KRISTEN ANN GILL. Pictured left to right are: PAT GILL Jr., PAT GILL Sr., paint foreman, West Shops, JOHN GRITIS, supervising reproduction technician, Reproduction Services, and PATRICIA GILL. Patricia and Pat Jr. are former part-time ticket agents, West Section.

DAVID MIEDEMA, the son of North Avenue Operator and Transit News Reporter WILLIAM MIEDEMA, beams proudly while holding his dad's new hunting partner, Lucky.

cluded ATU International Financial Secretary JAMES HILL, retired Division 241 Financial Secretary AUGIE JOHNSON, JOE NOLAN, Lawndale credit union treasurer, JOHN O'BRIEN, HERB SCHOMER, General Office credit union treasurer, MIKE KOMPANOWSKI, GEORGE WICKMAN, and WALTER MIELA. ROMAN KAPLAN won the door prize, a beautiful wrist watch, and POOPSY NELSON won the booby prize. GEORGE STRESKE was featured in an hour long color movie of the last two parties, produced by JOE MOLLO. Poopsy Nelson played the role of the "Kissing Bandit", starring George Wickman. JOHN KURINCE as I understand will take up the Polish language for future affairs. The music was provided by our fine friend "Chappie" CHAPLEWSKI and his left handed buddy, PAUL WINKOWSKI. Singers were Operator SPENCER, one of our most outstanding men—in fact, I'd like to state, Spencer, that you and your family are welcome at yours truly's home anytime for you have made a wonderful step for your people, if only others could follow. Always be as you are. HANK ZIOLOWSKI, Operator UTLEY, along with HANK SCHOFFEN, bass, were all outstanding...VAL CHURCH celebrated his tenth wedding anniversary on May 23. The best to you both and may you have many, many more...ERNEST GEYDEL says hello from Florida. He said the weather was fine but the fishing was poor. He visited GEORGE KREHL and his wife, and had a very pleasant time and is looking forward to the return trip...Last, but not least, here's a young man to watch for this summer, MARTY BARSKI, who will be playing second base for the Detroit Tigers. So, let's all stand behind this young fellow, no matter what team you are for, whenever Detroit is playing here for I am sure we have a future star. Good luck, Marty...Anyone I left out or forgot, please forgive me...TOM MEAGHRE, the best to you and your family...CLIFF LAST stole an outboard motor from yours truly.

- W. A. Henry (Don't call me Wilbur)

GENERAL OFFICE -

When the March issue comes off the press, this reporter will have joined the ranks of the CTA pensioners. Therefore, I wish to take this opportunity to say that it has been a pleasure writing for the "Inside News" and being associated with the Transit News staff and my fellow reporters. Our annual get-together dinners have been fun; the exchange of ideas interesting; and the complimentary letters from our pensioners over the years, have been most gratifying. The pensioners are the real fans of Transit News. Many have written how they eagerly await the arrival of their copy each month and how much they enjoy hearing news of their former co-workers and other pensioners, as well as the latest activities and progress at CTA. Therefore, my fellow reporters, keep up the good work and the best of luck to you all.

- Mary E. Clarke

KEDZIE -

Congratulations to JOSEPH FIORITO on his promotion to foreman at North Avenue Repair Department. You will be missed at Kedzie, and all the men send their best to you. A surprise farewell party was given for Joe, and he was at a loss for words to express his thanks to all who attended... Operator R. LEGGS is the proud owner of a new '69 Buick. It's a sharp looking car. Mrs. Leggs says it rides beautiful. Happy motoring...Operator G. DiMEO had a little get-together at the Bohemia Village restaurant, and the honored guest was Retired Operator DAVE CLARK. He looks good and says hello to everyone at Kedzie...Congratulations to Operator and Board Member WILLIAM LARSEN and his lovely wife, JOSEPHINE, who became grandparents when their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. MAHONEY, gave birth to a 7 pound 7 ounce baby girl, REGINA, January 27 at Georgetown hospital in Washington, D.C. The Mahoneys reside in Alexandria, Virginia...MARY BRISON, the daughter of Operator J. W. RICHARDSON, was hospitalized at Walther Memorial hospital. Richardson spent his vacation baby-sitting for his twin grandsons and running to the hospital. His daughter is now home and recuperating nicely. Mr. and Mrs. Richardson also celebrated their 37th wedding anniversary on March 3. Congratulations to you both and may you enjoy many more years of happiness... Congratulations to Supervisor WALTER STONE and his lovely wife, BETTYANN, on the birth of a baby boy, THOMAS WILLIAM, born March 1 weighing 8 pounds 4 ounces at Little Company of Mary hospital. The Stones have now evened the score—two boys and two girls...Congratulations to Operator R. BROWN who took his pension March 1. He plans to travel west to California to visit with relatives and friends. In the spring he will be in Wisconsin to complete his home and then will be know as "Farmer Brown." Good luck to you and your family on your retirement...Our deepest sympathy to Operator JOHN LOCACUIS on the loss of his daughter, ROSEMARY AUGUSTYNIAK, after a long illness. She was laid to rest on March 4.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

A cheery spring greeting to all you nice people...The big news for this month is some much appreciated help for your old scribe...Starting with the April issue your Keeler co-reporter will be Operator ANTHONY BERRY...To prove life can be beautiful, recent retiree RAY WISHNER dropped in to say "hi" to his old buddies. Ray couldn't visit too long because his new Lincoln Continental was using two parking spaces. He took time, however, to leave his address in case any of the fellows happened to be around Pampano Beach, Florida. The address is 2351 29th Street Northeast. ..Another happy retiree is the former supervisor of the North Side garages, MIKE CUNNINGHAM, for the big blow out in his honor, February 28, was quite some blast...So you lose one and you gain one. We welcomed to Keeler new Garage Foreman GUS PAVELKA, formerly of 69th Street...

Things should really start to hum in the garage, what with a new foreman and my buddy, Mechanic JIMMY SYLVESTER, back from the sick bay and new blood being added by Apprentice Mechanic JOE WIELANDER...Sincere get well wishes to all the fellows in the sick book. A special get well posy is tendered to MARIE, the wife of Operator KUGELBERG, who is hospitalized at Resurrection hospital. Hurry up and get well, Marie, because "Kugie" would look mighty peculiar skinny...The birthday bells are really hot this month. Operator GEORGE HUBBARD started the bells pealing March 1, then Operator EDGAR POSEY pulled the rope March 4, and along came Operator L. SMITH, March 6 to give a tug. Garage Serviceman CHARLES CARNES owned up to another year March 10...Operator R. DORSCH really swung out for his two daughters, DARLENE and CHERYL. The dates were March 9 and 19...Boy, these guys are really cheap. Mechanic CHARLES BOWMAN cut down expenses by having one celebration this month. His daughter, LOIS', birthdate was March 2, and MARY LOU hit sweet 16, March 15...Mechanic DICK HARTMAN almost goofed. His daughters birthday was in February...Operator JOE VALTIERRA was real nervous, for he gave me the needle to be sure and remember his daughter CAROL's fourth birthday, March 12. In December, yet! No kidding, he also jumped the gun on his and Rachel's fifth anniversary, April 25...Mechanic KEN SANDRIK birthdayed March 26...Operator R. FIELDS' son, KENNETH CHARLES, really gave mom, MARY, a nifty birthday gift February 23. He decided to be born that day...Winding up the birthday sweepstakes is Operator F. POLK, March 30...Speaking of sweepstakes brings to mind the fellow who figured out a foolproof system and he couldn't lose. The only trouble was, by the time he figured out what horse to bet on, the race was over.

- Ernest C. Carter

LAWNDALE -

Mr. and Mrs. MILES J. PINDAK became grandparents for the 13th time on February 10. Lucky 13 was a darling baby girl named TERESE MARIE...We had the occasion last month to have some of our pictures taken for the "Inquiring Reporter" page in Transit News, and I wish to thank Bus Placer JOHN WOJNICKI for obtaining a bus for our background...We won the 1968 fourth quarter ISC award, and the plaque was presented to us on Thursday, February 27, by D. M. FLYNN, superintendent of transportation. We had the red carpet put out for us with coffee and rolls all day, an artist sketching pictures of the men, movies, and 15 men went home with gift certificates. We are very proud. In fact, proud enough to try for a repeat. How about that?.. Our deepest sympathy to the families of B. JOHNSON in the loss of his son, waked February 6, and CHARLES VANCURA whose funeral was February 2, VINCENT (Breezy) BREZINSKI who was buried Monday, February 24, JOHN J. KEATING whose funeral was February 17, JAMES C. TALENT whose funeral was February 7, and Mrs. EUNICE JONES, whose funeral was February 22. She was the sister of Operator GROVER SMITH...Two of our men from the repair department took their pensions February 1, Day Foreman LARS PEARSON and Bus Repairman JOHN LUDTKE. Many happy days of retirement, fellas! Come and see us...Pensioner JIM GOODE was in to see us and is looking in great health and spirits, and was dressed like a "Dapper Dan." He sure looked like a movie star...Mrs. GEORGE MILLER is in the hospital and I hope by this writing she has improved...Janitor ED KAWCZYNSKI had a week's vacation recently and supposedly sent a letter to Chief Clerk MIKE CUSACK from Hawaii. How are the hula dancers, Eddie?..Two of our best men are seen sprouting wings these days. "Honest" JOE LaSCALZA, is selling cemetary lots, and "Wild Bill" LISIECKI is selling bibles. What next?..See you later.

- Larry Keating

ENDING A transit career of over 40 years which began in Arizona with the Tucson Rapid Transit company was Operator ELMER KNUDSON, North Park, who retired on March 1. When this photo was taken in 1925, he was working for 42 cents an hour, and had no days off, vacations, or fallbacks. Elmer retired after 39 years of service with CTA and CSL.

LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Agent ROBERT KLACZYNSKI is back to work after having the flu...Agent MINNIE DIKEMAN is on the sick list at this writing. She has a fractured finger, having caught it in a door. Minnie also celebrated her birthday on St. Patrick's day...Agent ARLENE SWANSON has been taking advantage of the fine weather. She has been visiting her son, JIM, and his wife, HELEN, who live in Fox Lake. We met former Agent BEULAH FIELDS and she is doing fine. If anything, she looks younger...Agent MARY BURROWS celebrated her employment anniversary date on February 24 as did your scribe on February 27...Happy Easter everybody.

- Helen Pallister

LIMITS -

On February 14, Operator TOM ABEL received a wonderful valentine present when his wife, CAROL, presented him with a baby boy. This makes two boys in the Abel family. Congratulations to the proud parents...Operator C. ADAMS has qualified as a supervisor and will be serving in that capacity in the near future...Our sincerest sympathy to Operator JOSEPH CLAY in the passing of his dear sister, Mrs. ELLEMA JOHNSON, down in Arkansas, and to Supervisor BILL LOHSE in the passing of his beloved mother... Among those who have been in the hospital and are still confined, are: Operators EUGENE SARTI, SAM WILSON, JOSEPH DORNSEIFER, and Clerk JOHN GILMORE...Supervisor CHARLES KUSCH has returned to his post at Diversey and Sheridan Road after being off for some time due to illness. We are all happy to see you back...Now that the picking of vacations has been concluded, your scribe is looking forward to news of your travels and the number of

fish caught. If you are in need of extra money for that vacation, why not see your credit union? The men who serve the Limits credit union will be more than glad to assist you...The mechanics at Limits Station are doing an excellent job of keeping the buses in tip top shape, and request that when you sign in your buses daily to be sure and report any malfunctions, however small they may be...This will be all of the news for now and please inform your scribe of any news of interest. Remember, this is your column.

- R. S. Benson

LOOP -

Our deepest sympathy to Agent MARY WIXTED and her family upon the death of their father, and to the family of Retired Agent STEVE GIBBONS who passed away so suddenly...Janitor E. SCHULTZ was shopping around for a nice black tie the other day...Janitor JIMMY CIVITO is quite a big help around the house, but when he tried to help his wife cut out a coat pattern, well, that didn't work out too well. Jimmy found himself with two left sleeves. Jimmy, how did all this work out?..Birthday greetings to Agent JULIA MATTRAN, March 20...On Saturday mornings, many of the trainmen complain of getting too fat. My advice sir is to stop eating so many of those large sweet rolls that G. WOODMORE has on the table. George, just keep on bringing them. If the boys didn't complain about getting so fat, they would complain about something else...So glad to see Assignment Agent JEAN WASHBURN back on the job. There are many folks who missed you. Everyone likes to hear Jean's voice over the phone. Why? Well, they say she is so cheerful and never complains when agents ask so many questions, even when her phones keep ringing. Jean always finds time for all...Why the happy look on Agent J. Mattran's face all the time? I will let you all in on the secret and don't tell anyone. First, came love—then came marriage—a few years have gone by and now Julia's son and daughter-in-law are thinking about a baby carriage. Yes, Julia and her husband are very happy awaiting their first grandchild. Good luck and happiness to all...March 1 was a happy day for Janitor ISAAC CHRISTMAS. He started his retirement. Many of his friends got together and had a little party for his birthday and retirement, together. Isaac was a grand person to work with. He never knew how to say NO when an agent wanted help. Isaac will be remembered by all his friends who worked with him for so many years. One and all wish he and his wife the very best of health and happiness for many years to come...Now that spring and summer are almost here and vacations are picked, let's hear from you folks.

- Mildred Doyle

NORTH AVENUE -

Operator EDWARD GUNDLACH and his wife, MARGE, became grandparents for the sixth time when RONALD EDWARD was born to their daughter and son-in-law, BONNIE and TOM LOMBARDINO, on January 25. Pensioner WILLAIM KENNEDY and his wife, MADELYN, became grandparents for the eighth time when WILLIAM KENNEDY was born on February 21. Congratulations to all...We received a welcome letter from Pensioner BILL ECHOLS. He reports that Pensioner JOHN (Hurricane) MURPHY is living at 5379½ - 77th Avenue North, Pinellas Park, Florida 33565. Pensioner GEORGE BUTLER is living with him. Pensioner ART HALEK and his wife paid Bill a visit. At the time Bill wrote he wasn't feeling too well but we hope he's much better by now...Pensioner WALTER JAHNKE and his family took a plane trip and visited some distant places in Europe and Africa where they saw many fascinating sights. A few of the interesting places they visited were Tangier, Morocco; the rock of Gibralter; Big Atlas Mountains; Casablanca, and the Canary Islands...My son, DAVID, is happy with the new member of our family, a Beagle called Lucky...Pensioners PATRICK CLANCY and ERNEST PEARSON were honored at a testimonial dinner and party at Wonderland ballroom, 2940 W. Milwaukee avenue, on January 31. Ernest's plans include a second honeymoon touring the West Coast. Pat's plans are for a vacation in Ireland...Operator ROBERT IRVINE took his pension February 1. Operator HAROLD HIGHTOWER joined the ranks of the pensioners on March 1. Best wishes, boys, let us hear from you...Operator TONY GRISCH passed away February 15. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family...Easter, the day of the Resurrection of our Lord, will soon be with us. It is a time of new hope and new life, both of which the world so badly needs. We ask the Lord's peace for the world...We received a note from Operator VIGGO WINDFELD who is home recuperating after a stay in the hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

Operator ELMER KNUDSON retired on March 1 after 39 years of service. Elmer started his career at Armitage Depot and ended up working the night bus on North Western avenue. The Knudsons' future plans are to relax and do some traveling in the west...Operator HAROLD JULITZ and his wife, ANN, became grandparents for the second time when their son, RICHARD, and his wife, PAT, became parents of a son named DERRICK ALLEN, born January 26 at Resurrection hospital...Street Collector AL BEROTT and his wife, DOROTHY, became grandparents for the first time, and Pensioner ART MUIR and his wife, RUTH, became great-grandparents for the first time, when Al's son, LEE, and Art's granddaughter, SHARON, became parents of a son named LEE FRANCIS Jr. born on January 27 weighing 6½ pounds at Swedish Covenant hospital. The Muirs came from Forsyth, Missouri, for the occasion and

IN THIS picture taken February 15 at the annual Electrical Department retirement dinner, Electrical Engineer A. R. SANDBERG, left, is shown bidding farewell to new pensioners F. E. JONES, testing engineer, M. BATTISTO, lineman, and S. S. DANECKE, superintendent of Construction and Maintenance.

J. A. DONALDSON
46 Years

P. F. KERWIN
45 Years

R. E. HUBER
41 Years

S. H. BROWNLOW
42 Years

P. J. JOYCE
42 Years

C. F. BRIEGER
42 Years

T. K. RUSING
42 Years

JOINING THE ranks of the retired March 1 were the nine employes pictured here who had 40 or more years of transit service each.

F. E. OLSON
42 Years

E. A. STORKE
41 Years

NEW PENSIONERS

ROY G. ALFORD, Supervisor,
Central District, Emp. 2-22-27
ESQUE ALLEN, Operator,
52nd Street, Emp. 10-23-47
CLARENCE F. BRIEGER, Motorman,
West Section, Emp. 5-1-26
RUSSELL G. BROWN, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 4-14-42
SCOTT H. BROWNLOW, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 11-11-26
ISAAC CHRISTMAS, Janitor,
West Section, Emp. 2-23-46
JOHN J. CONWAY, Motorman,
West Section, Emp. 12-3-62
MARLIN E. CUNNINGHAM, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 12-17-40
MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM, Supv. of Garages,
Shops & Equipment, Emp. 10-3-29
JAMES A. DONALDSON, Bus Repairer,
69th Street, Emp. 11-22-22
FERDINAND P. GAUSTAD, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 8-11-41
HAROLD H. HIGHTOWER, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 9-1-42
RUTH E. HUBER, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 10-8-27
PATRICK J. JOYCE, Towerman,
61st Street, Emp. 9-11-26
BRIDGET A. KAIN, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 1-21-43
PATRICK F. KERWIN, Janitor,
North Avenue, Emp. 9-10-23
ELMER K. KNUDSON, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 10-29-29
HARRY H. LEAVITT, Conductor,
North Section, Emp. 11-3-47
JAMES McARDLE, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 1-15-26
JOSEPH M. MURPHY, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 4-1-42
FRANK E. OLSON, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 1-13-27
JOHN A. OMAN, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 4-16-29
FRANK E. RUND, Stock Clerk II,
South Division, Emp. 2-1-28
TRULS K. RUSING, Ser. Truck Chauffeur,
Util. & Emer. Service, Emp. 4-1-26
REMIE J. SAUVE, Conductor,
West Section, Emp. 10-26-43
ERWIN A. STORKE, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 7-27-27
CARL J. WINDMUELLER, Messenger,
Law, Emp. 8-31-37

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

HAROLD F. BECKER, Conductor,
West Section, Emp. 2-14-45
PAUL E. BROTT, Bus & Truck Mech.
South Shops, Emp. 7-3-47
JIMMIE D. COLLIER, Janitor,
West Section, Emp. 7-15-58
EDWARD J. DIETZ, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 10-26-36
RAYMOND S. ORACKI, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 8-24-41
JERRY PROCHASKA, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 10-29-29

enjoyed visiting their many friends while here...Operator MEL HORNING and his wife, VIOLET, became grandparents for the fifth time when their daughter, Mrs. RUTH HELLESTRAE, gave birth to her fourth daughter, KARLA RUTH, born January 31 and weighing in at 6 pounds 11 ounces at Lutheran General hospital in Park Ridge, Illinois. ..Operator JOHN HALL and his wife, MARIE, rode the Panama Limited to New Orleans for the annual Mardi Gras week. The Halls were guests of Mrs. SALLY HERMANSON who resides there...Mrs. BEVERLY KURCZEWSKI, the wife of Operator ED KURZCEWSKI, won a four-day vacation trip to Miami or Fort Meyers, Florida. Beverly and Ed will be taking this trip in the near future...Operator ARTURO VALDEZ is showing his line of spring and summer shoes, so remember to look up Arturo so he may personally fit your foot...Operator MELVIN LINDSEY is sporting his new '69 Pontiac Catalina and expects to do a lot of traveling this summer...Operator LUIS ENDARA is taking flying lessons at Palwaukee airport and is learning in a Cessna 150, while Operator BUTCH VAN MIDDLESWORTH is taking his lessons at DuPage airport in a Cessna 175...BARBARA and TOM OESTERREICH, the children of Operator BOB OESTERREICH, were participants in a music recital held at Shabbona Park, February 2. Barbara plays the organ and guitar, while Tom is an accomplished drummer...TIM HEANEY, the son of Operator DON HEANEY, won an honorable mention award in the Illinois Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association's school poster contest. Tim's poster was one of the top 15 posters in the state in his grade category. More than 2,800 entries were submitted in the 14 year old category and Don is very proud of Tim's success...WILMA STOWELL, the wife of Operator FRED STOWELL, had major surgery at St. Mary's hospital and at this writing is convalescing satisfactorily...KENNETH POSNER, the son of Operator SAM POSNER, became engaged on February 1 to Miss ARLENE ROBINSON. The wedding will take place in June when the young couple graduates from Southern Illinois university... Operators HENRY SCHRAMM and JOE "Suitcase" CITRO are working extra as street collectors at Lane Tech High school and are doing a very fine job...Pensioner HARVEY GEHMAN and his wife, INGEBORG, of Highlandville, Iowa, were in Chicago for their annual visit with their children, TED, HELENE, and MARIE. Harvey looks and feels fine and invites his friends to stop and see him as they pass through Iowa...The medical bus, headed by Doctor J. YONAN and Examiner AL GLUECKERT, are doing their usual fine job of examining the personnel at North Park.

THE GLEAM seen lately in the eyes of Kedzie Operator JOSEPH GILIO is apparently for his two grandchildren pictured here, ANGELA and JAMES TRICOCI. Joe spends his Friday nights baby-sitting with them and says he enjoys it very much.

Our thanks are extended to these gentlemen for their courtesy and patience...The Schiller Liedertafel Male Singers held their annual dance Saturday, February 15, at St. Demetrios Fellowship Hall. Operator FRED ANHALT, who is treasurer of this group, turned in another outstanding job with the planning and operation of this grand event...Operator DON BENNETT has finally picked a Saturday off after 24 years of working Saturdays. It looks like MARIE needs help with that Saturday shopping and house cleaning, but Don won't admit it...Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Operator KEESLER POLK Jr. and his wife, CHARLOTTE, their fifth, February 8; Operator WILLIAM KLEPITCH and his wife, IRENE, their 40th, February 14; Operator DON BENNETT and his wife, MARIE, their 21st, March 2; Pensioner HARVEY GEHMAN and his wife, INGEBORG, their 35th, March 2; Operator TOM DE CANTILLION and his wife, MARY, their 22nd, March 4; Operator IRVING MOSKOVITZ and his wife, ANN, their 39th, March 21; Operator GEORGE TORSON and his wife, JUNE, their 16th, March 28; Operator AL PARADISE and his wife, FAYE, their 6th, March 2; Operator SEYMOUR STEINBERG and his wife, DOROTHY, their 32nd, March 14; Operator DON McKINNEY and his wife, BARBARA, their 15th, February 27, and Supervisor LARRY COSTLEY and his wife, MARY, their 23rd, March 9...Happy birthdays are extended to the following: NATALIE, NATHANIEL, and MARC CHAVIS; BONNIE NEWMAN; STEVEN and CYNTHIA BUDZISZ; DANNY and LAURA KURCZEWSKI; Operators WALTER ZINKOVICH, SAL MUSCARELLO, GEORGE TORSON, ARMAND DELGARDILLO, CHESTER DAMIAN, and GARY NOONAN; Receivers ED STENZEL and BILL CERKEN; Clerk RAY MILANOVICH, and PATRICIA WALTON...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to the families of Supervisor WILLIAM LOHSE on the loss of his mother, Mrs. LOHSE; Pensioner EDWARD STAHLE and Operator GEORGE and PEARL KRINKE on the loss of Mrs. EVA M. STAHLE, the wife of Mr. Stahle and the mother of Mrs. Krinke, and Pensioner PAT SULLIVAN on the loss of his daughter, Mrs. ROSEMARY McKENZIE...Repair Department chitchat—MORRIS is grooming his 442 for the drag strip at Union Grove, Wisconsin...ANDY (Cheetah) is back working days as assistant foreman again...Engine cleaner PAT BOYLE is selling choice corner lots on the moon... Serviceman (Red) STAUNTON is sporting around in a new '69 canary yellow Camaro...TED KUTA has been off sick with an injured finger...SPARKY came to work on the day shift, and the presence of his corn cob pipe is effective... PAT DALEY, who has a nose for business, will gladly explain his latest project to anyone interested...JIMMY MARTIN helped JULIUS MERSCH take the plastic cover off his T-Bird before leaving on his Florida vacation...ALEX (The Schnoz) FRITZLER is now in the snake business as FRANK SCHENDEL can attest...BOB WEENERMEYER has taken over PAUL SCHREVES' enterprise and the rumor is that he would like to give it back to Paul...Clerk GENE DRZEWICKI was seen shining his golf clubs, so spring can't be far off.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

PAT O'MALLY's parents, JOHN and MARY, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on January 25. John was formerly a motorman. They renewed their vows at St. Lucy's church where two of Mary's cousins said the mass. A reception was held later for 135 persons including 28 grandchildren...On February 1, MYRTLE APITZ's husband

THIS HAPPY little fellow, looking as snug as a bug in a rug, is six month old JAMES VERNALD, the grandson of Operator J. HAYES, Kedzie, and the son of LARRY and PAT VERNALD.

had a surprise birthday party for her and their daughter, MARGE, at the Trieste, where they dined and danced. Present were JERRY, BING, TONI, and friends who all had a good time...Student Agent GERALD T. PADAR and MARIE DASCOLA were married February 15. They spent a week in Wisconsin at a winter resort. Marie is a secretary for the Chicago Tribune. Congratulations...The annual North Side "L" credit union dinner, which was held February 9, turned out to be a big success. The weather was so nice that more people came than was expected and extra tables had to be set up...Motorman JOHN DICKSON and his wife had a baby boy on January 30. Congratulations!..JOHN ZUPKO served on jury duty for two weeks in February, so get ready, folks, you may be next...Mr. ATHENS, a money collector, went into the hospital for surgery. Hope you have a speedy recovery, Mr. Athens...ANNABELLE DREW was greatly surprised on February 8 when her daughter had a birthday party for her at home and had a few friends in to help her celebrate...RUTH HUBER and M. CUNNINGHAM took their pensions on March 1. We all hope they have a long, healthy, and happy retirement...EMMA RENNHACK would like to thank all the agents who contributed toward the gift presented to her when she retired recently. She said she didn't know she had so many friends...The son of MIKE and MAE CRONIN is back from Vietnam and is in Hines hospital recuperating...Both of MARVIN HARRIS' duaghters had babies recently, a boy and a girl. SANDRA BETH was born on February 26 and JEFFREY SCOTT was born on March 4. Both babies weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces and were born in the same hospital. This makes four grandsons and one granddaughter for Marvin...Condolences to the family of A. COLONNA who passed away recently, and also to MARIE TOWNSEND on the loss of her uncle, CHARLES BIEDESS. May they both rest in peace...Howard Supervisor JOE KORAL had surgery recently and is recuperating at home now...JOHN ZUPKO's nine-year old son, JIM, has advanced to the city swimming finals to be held at George Williams college. Good luck, Jim...EARL GILBERT is out of the hospital and will soon return to work. M. McBRIDE, E. LANZ, ROSE O'CONNELL, and M. McCORMICK are all back at work...The credit union has a new board director, LAWRENCE VANDERHORST from Skokie Shops... M. CUNNINGHAM, who just retired, plans to go to San Francisco for a visit and has asked me to thank all of his friends for the most thoughtful gift he received on his last night at work...We have a few new agents: F. LEE, J. GUY, E. BETTS, M. DOZIE, M. TWINE, R. FLEMING, M. HARVEY, and B. CONKLIN...Your scribe and her husband took her three daughters, a friend, and two grandchildren out to Elmhurst for a big dinner in honor of her middle daughter's birthday. All had a good time, then spent the rest of the evening at her home...GEORGE VANDERHAGEN, Howard platform man, retired on April 1. GEORGE BROUCEK also retired April 1. We hope you both have a long healthy retirement...A. SALVAGE has transferred from the shops and is now a ticket agent. V. KEENE, Forest Glen operator, was transferred and is also a ticket agent...ELIZABETH DONAHUE had the misfortune of falling down some stairs and received stitches on her head. I'm happy to say she is already back at work...Our condolences to EARL STEVENS on the loss of his father on February 19 and his granddaughter on February 23. Earl entered Swedish Covenant hospital on February 24 awaiting surgery March 14.

- Grace Mounts

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

BURCHARD POGUE gained another daughter-in-law when his son, MICHAEL, a former bus serviceman, and LAURA JEAN exchanged marriage vows on February 1 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help church. The newlyweds spent their honeymoon in Hawaii...Congratulations to RUDY and ANN HAAS who celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary on February 28. In honor of the occasion they went out to dinner and a party was held for the family...JAMES R. TUCKER became a grandfather again when his son, ROBERT, and daughter-in-law, AMY, announced the arrival of JANET LYN who weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces...A recent addition to the Transportation Department is JOHN R. KOLON, information clerk, who transferred from the Schedule-Traffic Department. Welcome and good luck on your new job...Our condolences are extended to the families of CARL LARSON whose son, JAMES, passed away on February 10 while in Hines hospital, and SAM MONTROSE whose mother, DOMENICA DI MAURO, passed away on February 1.

TED MARTIN, District "A" superintendent, went on disability retirement on February 1. He has since paid us a visit and told us that he is happy and keeping himself very busy. His neighbors in Grand Junction, Michigan, even talked him into going ice fishing which is something he never did before, but intends to do again. Good luck for a very happy and healthy retirement.

District "D" Traffic Supervisor WILLIAM BLADES is a very proud man and rightly so. The reason is that his son, JIM, came in first in the State Prep Diving Tournament held on March 1. Jim is 17 years old and a senior at Evanston Township High school. He has only been diving about four years and during this time he has won 8 gold, 3 silver, and 3 bronze medals. Diving practice is part of his daily schedule, plus competing in AAU tournaments throughout the country. Congratulations, Jim, and good luck in the future. We hope to see you in the next Olympic games.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

On February 1, PETER F. CARPINO began his retirement. After 40 years of service he is now going to relax and take it easy. His immediate plans are to spend the balance of the winter in Florida, which I hear he is enjoying, and then sometime in the future he intends to take a trip to Hawaii. On March 1, after 42 years and 11 months with the CTA, T. RUSING began a life of leisure. On their last day at work, both men were wished the best of luck and a very

happy retirement by many of their friends. We join them in this wish...A card was recently received from TOM LAURY who said he is enjoying life in Millbrae, California. He sends his best to everyone and hopes they are all feeling fine...A. CANDELLA just returned from a vacation in California. One of the places he went to was Disneyland where he had a good time, but the most enjoyable part of his trip was visiting with his daughter...We are sorry to hear that TONY NOLAN is hospitalized and send him our best wishes for a very speedy recovery...Our sympathy is extended to the family of CASEY DE BOER whose brother recently passed away.

- Colette Szczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Sorry to report that another retiree of the Purchasing Department, ROSE JAMES, has passed away. It was said she had done much volunteer work at St. Augustine's hospital since her retirement from the company. Rose was 73 years of age at her death...The Stores Department has lost another member of its force with the early retirement of Mr. FRANK RUND, stock clerk II, South Division. Frank and his lovely wife plan to just take life easy. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Rund...We of the Purchasing, Stores and Specification Department are all a little sad since BARNEY (with the smiling face) GAGNON has transferred to the Stenographic Department. It's a move up for Barney and we're all happy for him. Good luck, Barney, and we do miss you...Pfc. ROGER FLANAGAN, the son of MARTY FLANAGAN, buyer, Purchasing Department, is presently home on leave and visiting with his dad. Roger will be on his way to California and then Vietnam. Best of luck, Roger, and hope to see you home soon...Our sympathy goes to ARTHUR D. STAHL on the recent death of his father, and also to MIKE KORZEN on the recent death of his mother. Arthur is assigned to the Stores Department, South Division, and Mike is the assistant division storekeeper, North Division...The sunshine state of Florida was the vacation spot for Mr. and Mrs. LARKIN. Mr. Larkin is our man in charge of decals and stationery in the Specification Department. They spent Christmas week with Mr. Larkin's parents in Orlando. It was then onward to Fort Lauderdale for a week of swimming and sunshine. Then to Naples on the coast, back to Orlando, to Crystal River, and finally a place called Perry, Florida. As you can see they covered quite a bit of territory. The return trip home was not too nice since it rained most of the way back. Better rain than snow, Mr. Larkin...Weighing in at 9 pounds 6 ounces on February 4 was CRAIG GERALD, the latest addition to the WILDE family. MARLENE WILDE was previously a typist in the Stores Department...As of this writing, Storeroom 59 is without its leader, STEVE ZAHORA, Stock Clerk II. Seems Steve's knee played a trick on him and he eventually had to have surgery on the knee to undo the trick. "Steve, I sure do miss your voice over the phone." Hurry and heal fast--we hope to see you soon.

- Jane Urso & Rod Rusakiewicz

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

Best wishes to JOE VIOLA and GEORGE HANUS who are now schedule clerks...W. P. DEVEREUX flew down to Chattanooga to visit with his daughter...The welcome mat is extended for G. MATHIEU and A. BLACK, our new outside checkers. We also welcome JOE CAPPELLATTI, outside checker, to the department as a traffic clerk...The girls of the department celebrated KAREN COLLINS' birthday by having lunch out together.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

EDWARD REYNOLDS, sheet metal worker, was home recuperating, but at this writing is back in the hospital again. WALTER GANDER, painter, is in Belmont hospital. Let's send some get well cards, fellows...New cars are really showing up at Skokie: JOSEPH FANO, shopman II, has a new Buick; RAY LASKOWSKI, machinist, a new Plymouth, and EVERETT ENGLAND, your reporter is the proud owner of a new Ford LTD...FRAN KIMMSKE, the wife of GEORGE KIMMSKE, carpenter, is at home recuper-

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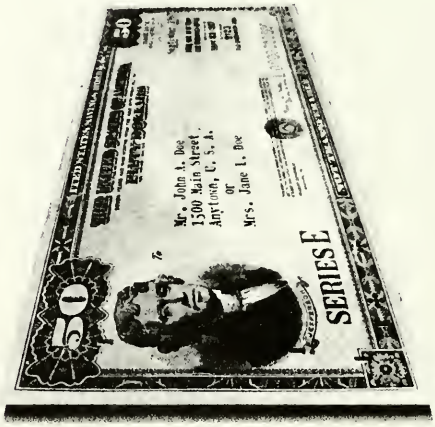

BUY U.S. SAVINGS BONDS, NEW FREEDOM SHARES

PICTURED HERE is MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM, supervisor of garages, who retired on March 1 after 39 years of service. Mike started as a car cleaner at the old Armitage car barn on October 3, 1929, become a bus repairer the following year, and subsequently served as assistant foreman and foreman at various garages until his appointment as supervisor of garages in 1964.

ating after a stay in the hospital...CASIMIR (Casey) JOZEFIAK, painter, celebrated his 50th birthday on February 14 with a group of his fellow workers at his home. A good time was had by all...GUS HYDE, retired electrical foreman, sends a card of hello from sunny Florida.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

The signs of spring have finally arrived: the earlier sunrises, the birds singing, hot-cross buns, bock beer, longer evenings, and baseball spring training. Now we know spring is almost here. Let's hope this is "The Big Year" for the Cubs and Sox...The 61st Street men are mighty proud of themselves. They won the Interstation Safety Contest award for the third quarter of 1968. On January 25, we had free coffee and rolls all day, and movies. G. RILEY, superintendent of operating stations, J. BLAA, superintendent of rapid transit operations, and F. JOHNSON, superintendent of training, from our General Office came out and presented the plaque to us. Five dollar Jewel gift certificates were raffled off and the happy winners were: JOE RAYBURN, CATOR ESCHO, HUBBARD COLEMAN, RONALD McKINNEY, PATRICK GEOGHEGAN, DAVID BENSON, and ERNEST HAYES. THOMAS HUGHES also won a certificate for guessing the amount of beans in a jar. Keep up our good safety record men...Happy, happy news: Assistant Station Superintendent MICKEY O'CONNOR, Loomis Street, returned to work from the sick list. He wishes to thank everyone for all the nice mass cards and get well cards and wishes he received while he was ill... "Hello" to trainmen transferees from the North and West Sections: MELVIN WOODS, DAVID CURRIN, CLAYTON O'NEIL, and THOMAS NESBARY. Also "hi" to newly-hired Janitors LAWRENCE NEAL and ARTHUR SCHOENKE, and part-time Agent THEODIS LEWIS...Agents ANTOINETTE and SAM STIPATI were telling me about their nice vacation in California where they saw the Rose Bowl parade and football game. They also visited Universal Studios, Disneyland, and the Lawrence Welk show...The 32nd annual South Side "L" Credit Union meeting and get-together was held on February 9 at the Avenue Liquor Hall, 114th and Michigan avenue, and a good time was had by all. We welcomed many new faces this year. Everyone liked the new hall. It was nice and cozy. My personal thanks to my kitchen help: Mrs. FRANK PONZIANO, the wife of Conductor FRANK PONZIANO, Retired Assignment Agents LULU HAMANN and ROSE HEIDENBLUT, and ALICE ROESING, the wife of Superintendent of Agents and Janitors BOB ROESING. My hubby, Clerk ROLAND, handled the bar with the help of Janitor ED FREEMAN, who Roland says did such a good job he wants him back next year. Our treasurer, FRED GRONEMEYER, was in the hospital at the time and had to miss the meeting, but Assistant Treasurer FRANK PONZIANO and Roland did a good job conducting the meeting. Many pensioners came out to say "hello" to everyone: Retired Supervisor BOB BROWN, Conductor DENNIS BARRY, Towerman PAT HICKEY, Agent KAREN FRIDDLE, and MARTY SHANNON and JACK SHANNON from the Shop Department. The sandwiches were good as usual and we all had a ball. To get a nice nest egg, let's all start saving in the credit union right now and watch our savings grow...Welcomed back to work after being on the sick list are: Motorman McRAYFIELD CALDWELL, Collector RAY NORMAN, Agent JOHN RYBAKOWSKI, and Clerk THOMAS O'HARA...Spending a nice winter vacation down in Hot Springs, Arkansas, is Conductor PHAROAH CAIN...Received a card from the "Traveling" ANDERSONS, Retired Assistant Station Superintendent ARTHUR and his wife, HELEN, who were still out in California in February. They were there for the record breaking rains which they didn't enjoy. They attended the Lawrence Welk TV show one Saturday night and danced during the program. One day they went and visited Retired Towerman CHARLES RUMMEL and he says to tell everyone "hello."..Motorman FRED GRONEMEYER, who was in the hospital for an operation, is home now recuperating, and Supervisor WILLIAM NASH, who was in an auto accident, is home now too. Also on the sick list is Supervisor THOMAS STANTON. We wish a speedy recovery to all.

The Loomis Street men has a nice pension party for Towerman PATRICK JOYCE who retired on March 1. Patrick was employed in September, 1926. He sure looks young for his age. The charming Mrs. Joyce and Pat's sister attended the get-together. Patrick was presented with a token of remembrance from all his co-workers. The food was as good as ever. Yum! Yum! We wish Patrick and Mrs. Joyce many happy and healthy years of retirement... Retired Conductors JOHN SZCZECH and DANIEL O'DONNELL, and Retired Agent CATHERINE FARRELL passed

SMALL FOUR-WHEEL streetcars like this one were operating throughout Chicago's streetcar system 60 years ago when this picture was taken. The Blue Island Avenue car is being operated by Motorman JOHN HIPPLE who, with one hand on the controller and another on a gooseneck hand brake, appears to be waiting for his conductor to give him the two bells to proceed. The picture was provided by Kedzie Station Operator GEORGE SEPKE, the nephew of Motorman Hipple.

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

GILBERT A. ARMES, 75, 77th Street,
Emp. 7-8-43, Died 2-3-69
JOHN C. BARNES, 71, North Section,
Emp. 5-2-29, Died 1-14-69
LOUIS A. BECK, 61, West Section,
Emp. 3-5-37, Died 1-31-69
LOYAL BILLSTEN, 61, Limits,
Emp. 9-20-27, Died 1-10-69
WALTER G. BROWNLEY, 72, 77th Street,
Emp. 5-4-21, Died 1-11-69
WILLIAM A. BUERGER, 73, Kimball,
Emp. 2-16-22, Died 1-17-69
MICHAEL BYRNE, 79, West Section,
Emp. 3-2-20, Died 1-7-69
HENRY J. CAMPBELL, 64, Kedzie,
Emp. 11-22-26, Died 1-10-69
VINCENZO CANTALUPO, 87, North Avenue,
Emp. 7-12-12, Died 1-10-69
ALBERT COLONNA, 50, North Section,
Emp. 5-12-45, Died 1-29-69
WILLIAM J. COSTELLO, 84, Lawndale,
Emp. 4-17-21, Died 1-31-69
GEORGE G. EICHMANN, 76, 77th Street,
Emp. 1-11-13, Died 1-15-69
WILLIAM J. ELWOOD, 73, 69th Street,
Emp. 8-27-23, Died 1-25-69
FREDERICK FREDERICKSEN, 88, North Avenue,
Emp. 10-20-05, Died 1-15-69
ARTHUR J. FREY, 74, Devon,
Emp. 2-22-23, Died 1-30-69
GEORGE GEREJ, 77, West Section,
Emp. 9-26-40, Died 1-27-69
JAMES S. GIVIN, 74, South Section,
Emp. 4-21-13, Died 1-25-69
FRANK GLENN, 81, Kedzie,
Emp. 11-29-07, Died 1-21-69
JOHN GRABINER, 85, North Avenue,
Emp. 3-26-23, Died 1-12-69
GEORGE H. GRASSEL, 77, 77th Street,
Emp. 1-4-13, Died 2-3-69
TONY GRISCH, 63, North Avenue,
Emp. 11-8-29, Died 2-19-69
JAMES J. HOEY, 69, Building,
Emp. 7-15-25, Died 1-18-69
OTTO L. HOGER, 77, South Shops,
Emp. 4-2-13, Died 1-23-69
MICHAEL JACKIMIEC, 86, North Avenue,
Emp. 5-4-23, Died 1-29-69
ROSE E. JAMES, 73, Purchasing,
Emp. 2-3-44, Died 2-1-69
EDWARD JOY, 64, Central District,
Emp. 4-25-29, Died 1-23-69
PATRICK KENNY, 88, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 2-1-07, Died 1-3-69
BERNARD P. KIRCHENS, 66, Electrical,
Emp. 10-6-42, Died 1-22-69
PETER LaROSA, 88, Shops & Equipment,
Emp. 10-2-12, Died 1-24-69
PATSY LONGO, 74, Lake Street,
Emp. 11-8-22, Died 1-22-69
EMORY LUDTKE, 57, Kedzie,
Emp. 5-7-45, Died 2-2-69
WILLIAM L. MANNIG, 80, South Section,
Emp. 12-16-02, Died 1-11-69
MARY M. McCAULEY, 69, Purchasing,
Emp. 2-15-32, Died 1-28-69
DANIEL D. O'DONNELL, 84, South Section,
Emp. 12-27-22, Died 1-29-69
MICHAEL J. ROCHFORD, 84, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 1-13-20, Died 1-13-69
LEONARDO RUSSO, 85, Track,
Emp. 4-25-30, Died 1-31-69
ALBERT S. RYBA, 49, Archer,
Emp. 1-30-43, Died 2-3-69
PAUL SAMARDZIC, 78, Track,
Emp. 7-22-36, Died 11-30-68
JAMES J. SAMPEY, 78, Kedzie
Emp. 7-12-12, Died 1-22-69
CHESTER A. SENECO, 80, Electrical,
Emp. 7-16-18, Died 12-14-68
GEORGE L. STEPHENS, 68, Forest Glen,
Emp. 4-29-24, Died 1-31-69
HERBERT STOREY, 61, Electrical,
Emp. 6-26-23, Died 1-27-69
JOHN J. SZCZECH, 83, South Section,
Emp. 2-28-44, Died 1-28-69
JAMES C. TALENT, 63, Lawndale,
Emp. 1-26-29, Died 2-6-69
THOMAS A. THORNTON, 79, 77th Street,
Emp. 9-22-22, Died 12-29-68
GEORGE UNRATH, 72, 69th Street,
Emp. 5-4-21, Died 1-23-69
ANTON VACEK, 74, 69th Street,
Emp. 3-26-28, Died 1-8-69
FRANK J. VALEK, 62, Kedzie,
Emp. 10-24-45, Died 1-28-69
FRANCIS VANDERCOOK, 70, West Section,
Emp. 4-20-20, Died 1-16-69
FRED B. WOLFF, 79, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 3-17-43, Died 1-13-69

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away recently. Our sincere condolences to their families... Loomis Street has their "Singing Conductor," VERNON ROBINSON, and now 61st Street has their "Singing Conductor," JOHN WRIGHT. Since the first of the year, John has received ten passenger commendations for his unusual and excellent announcements. He also was written up and his picture was in the "Bee-Line" column of the Daily News recently. Vernon at Loomis Street is rolling along with 17 passenger commendations on his announcements. Isn't that wonderful. The South Side is really proud of Vernon and John...Shop Clerk JIM DALEY is taking a nice long five-week winter vacation and will bask in the sun at Miami Beach, Florida...Retired Agent JULIA FILAN stopped in to see us at 61st Street recently and she looks and feels just wonderful...Our sincere sympathy goes out to Motorman MARTIN CUNNANE whose father passed away in Ireland; to Conductor JOHN KALTSAS on the loss of his mother; Motorman ED TORMEY on the loss of his sister, and Agent ANTOINETTE STIPATI on the loss of her sister...Motorman JOE DOYLE is really lucky. He entered a contest in a store and won a four-day trip to Las Vegas, Nevada, which he and his wife will take this summer. Some people are

really lucky...Received a nice letter from Mrs. MIKULICH, the widow of deceased Conductor RAYMOND MIKLUICH, and she wanted to let us know that her son, RAY Jr., passed away recently. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Mrs. Mikulich on the loss of her son...Congratulations to Agent AFIDALE PRINCE whose wife, DOROTHY, gave birth to an 8 pound baby girl, DERISE, on March 1. Dorothy is also a singer recording on the M-Pac label. I know little Derise will have some lusty sounds for mom and dad...Also receiving passenger commendations recently were Conductor JOHN KENNEDY, for his courtesy to his passengers, and Conductor JOHN DANEK (another Loomis Street champion of commendations) for his excellent announcements. Keep those commendations coming in men.

- Verna Hartney

SOUTH SHOPS -

On December 9, 1968, JOHN KURGAN, Upholstery Department, and his wife, GRACE, flew to Arizona for the beginning of their four-week vacation in the Southwest. They divided their time between Arizona and California. While in Palm Springs, they took the tram ride up the San Jacinto mountains into a snowstorm. Santa Anita was included in their itinerary, and this turned out to be fun and profitable. They were lucky to get tickets for the Rose Bowl Game and also saw the Parade of Roses. The fun ended when they had to return from 70 degree weather into 6 degree weather on January 3...A good time was had at the West Side reunion party. There was an excellent turnout. SAM TROMBINO did a nice job of helping with the organization of the party. Sam promised that we would have good service this year. The service was excellent, but Sam was sitting in the center of the table and it seemed that when the plates reached him, they were empty. He was heard to say, "Next year, I'll sit in the kitchen and make sure I get my share of food."..Welcome back to EDDIE ROBERTS, who was off sick with an eye operation. It's good to see him back working again...The "Gypsy" in the Brake Department is always asking how come no news. We have boxes for news items throughout the shop, and without help from you, we can't have news.

- Frank Sprovieri

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Congratulations to R. FLOWERS, Forest Park, and his wife on the birth of their daughter, MARGARET PATRICIA. The little princess, born on January 3, cut a cute figure at $6\frac{1}{2}$ pounds. Also joining the celebration were JOHN CANNELLA, Congress, and his wife who were godparents... Welcome back to L. McGUINESS, Forest Park, who had been off on the sick list...Best of luck to J. WOULFE on his new job with the interlocking department...Go west young man is just what VINCE ROBERTS did as he left to set up residence in Arizona. Vince resigned January 3...Glad to hear JIM DURR, Forest Park, is out of the hospital and recuperating at home...Good luck to BOBBY WRIGHT in his new position as a bus driver...Welcome to J. PATTERSON and M. LOVE, new car servicemen at Forest Park...Congratulations to DOMINIC DiGIANFILIPPO, the son of AMERICO DiGIANFILIPPO, Wilson, who earned a letter of commendation from the National Merit Scholarship program. Dominic will graduate from Gordon Technical High school in June and plans to attend Illinois Institute of Technology...On his way to fun and sun in Florida, A. ODROWSKI, Kimball, stopped off for a visit with relatives in Indiana...E. STAHL, Kimball, is back at the old work grind after spending two weeks visiting relatives in Hollywood, Florida...Best wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to A. LONG, Congress, who is off on the sick list...On January 31, F. BENANTI, Congress, and his wife celebrated their 38th wedding anniversary. Best wishes for continued happiness...Welcome to D. LASIEWICZ and A. MOORE, new car servicemen at Howard. M. BUCHANAN, Wilson, and his wife spent their vacation seeing the sights of New Orleans and the Mardi Gras...L. COLLINS, Wilson, enjoyed his vacation by resting and relaxing at home.

- Ray Brzezek

69TH STREET -

If MICKEY's pay check has been a little to the lean side of late Mrs. YOUNG, don't blame him. You see, PAUL VASILOPULOUS and I are picking the big runs now. By the way, Mrs. Young, did you ever find out what the lady looked like that Mickey has been picking up and taking home when he works the hockey game charters?..CURTIS HASKELL, the man with the grin, was seen carrying a box into the office one day. He said it was top secret...Have you noticed how much cleaner the air is now that FRANK BROZKIEWICZ has stopped smoking those smelly cigars?..Instructor SWANSON says that he would be glad to help anyone who has to take the state driver's test. He has all the necessary information, so be sure and contact him...MILLARD ENSWORTH spent his vacation in Florida last February... FRAIL took a "choo-choo" ride to California again. Maybe he should have been an engineer...BILL DONAHUE had the distinction of being the driver of the CTA chartered bus when PAMELA ANN NORRIS, the daughter of A. NORRIS, married GEORGE ROCHMAN on January 12. A few that attended were: ED MELANT, BERT JOHNSON, JOE MATHIS, MYRON LEVEE, and BILL YEATMAN. The reception was held at the Martinique...WODARCZYK and HUNT were working as janitors one day at 69th Street. You just can't keep the old Grove men apart...JIM HUNT's son, GEORGE, former night foreman at 69th, became a papa for the second time on January 28. It was a girl...Our deepest sympathy to the family of W. F. WANTROBA who lost his father...Pensioner TOM FLANAGAN rode my bus one day. He looks great, but still has it in for TIERNEY who used to lead him on Ashland...F. P. GAUSTAD has taken his pension. Many happy years of retirement, fella...Pensioner E. KALL just recovered from a heart attack. Take it easy, boy...JOE BRADY dropped us a few lines from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and said he had a few visitors from CTA. They were: ART MURPHY, ZIEGLER, PERRY (from 77th Street), and ED MALONEY and his brother, and said it was just great. He says hello to Superintendent TOM SCREEN, FRANK ROONEY, and LOU MONAHAN. BARNEY BECKER, 390 says hello. Barney is a receiver now, Joe. I probably will be down your way around Thanksgiving to drink some of your beer, so keep it cold...JIMMY AHERN of the Repair Department wishes GUS PAVELKA well on his assignment as day foreman at Keeler Depot, and to GEORGE MORRELL who took his place. HAROLD McGANN went to Lawndale as night foreman, and BILL LAMBERT took his place at 69th Street. DONALD BERGE is now relief foreman in place of WALTER BAILEY who is now with the instruction department...JIM DONALDSON retired after 47 years of service with the CTA. May you have 47 more, happy years of retirement...LEONARD CASEY is now in

the navy. May you have easy sailing, fellow...Jimmy Ahern was saddened over the death of his namesake and first cousin, Father JAMES L. AHERN. He was the pastor of St. Mary's church in Brush, Colorado, and was only 44 years old. May he rest in peace.

- Arthur P. Buesing

WEST SECTION -

LOU PAYNE was bashful to admit he had a birthday in February, so happy birthday, Lou...The wives of J. KELLY and T. WORMACK presented them with healthy baby boys... They say clothes make the man, and JIM McPHEE proved it for he sure looks sharp...One of our guys, B. RADCLIFF, recently exchanged his CTA gray for the army green. We wish a safe return for our buddy, Radcliff...We all welcome back J. SCHUMACHER after being off a long time due to an operation. Gee, our sick list is really long; JAMES HOOD, TINY ROBERTSON, BARNEY ROLAND, LEO FORD, and E. PAGE. So hurry and get well, fellows, for we all miss you. ..Supervisor W. JONES' heart was broken with the passing of his wife. Our deepest sympathy...To E. PAGE and PETE NAUGHTON, who both lost their grandfathers, we send our condolences. We lost a fine man when Pensioner PATSY LONGO died recently. We extend our condolences to his wife and family. Our sympathy to Pensioner PAT SHIELDS on the lost of his daughter...CHARLES McDERMOTT just returned from his usual trip to Florida where he spent six weeks. The story going around is that he bought a lot right across the street from Hialeah...L. MOORE, who used to play the flute, is now trying his hand at song writing. May you hit on a great tune, Leon...The janitors put on a spread for one of their favorite fellows, R. CHRISTMAS, when he went on pension. He was also one of my favorite people, too..."Big" DAN left Lake Street and is now working in the Loop. We know he will do a good job there, but we will miss him on the line...A. REESE and his lovely wife, JEAN, had a house warming party and received some lovely gifts. Attending were ROBERT and ALICE JAMES and JIM and DORITHA McNEAL...D. "Chicken Baby" WILLIAMS brings his chicken for lunch, and S. DUDASIK brings his eggs. Poor M. O'BRIEN has to eat out because he is tired of eating his own cooking. Will someone find a wife for him before he wastes away...One of our fine young men, J. WILSON, is going to school to become an architect. It is a pleasure to see someone trying to get ahead. So let's all wish him success...We had a visit from Pensioners JAMES HICKEY and TOM McGOURTY and they both are as fit as a fiddle. It's too bad that more can't come to the carhouse to visit us, for it would sure be a delight to see them...So, for now, we'll say 'bye until you read this column next time and you might say, "Why, those guys are talking about me."

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

THIS AVID fisherman is Pensioner ARTHUR HANSEL, former chief operator, Ravenswood substation. He is displaying one of the fish caught from his back yard on the upper end of the Homosassa river in Homosassa, Florida.

77TH STREET -

Operator JOSEPH PHILLIP and his wife, ANNA MAE, celebrated their silver anniversary on March 15, and to make it a double header, their son, JOSEPH Jr., the tough ex-marine sergeant now attending the university of Iowa, celebrated his birthday on the same day...Operator H. L. BEATY and his wife, CLARA, celebrated their 23rd wedding anniversary on March 15. Their son, KENNARD, was sent to Vietnam where he was shelled in his truck and received an arm fracture. He is now recovering in Japan... CRAIG DARREN BARNES was one year old February 20. He is the son of Operator EUGENE BARNES and his wife, MELODY...Operator DON HENDRICKS was one year older February 25...Operator THOMAS SWOOPE lost a brother in Vietnam. Sergeant First Class RUDOLPH SWOOPE had been in the service 19 years and 2 months. He is survived by his wife, EUCLADE, and six children...Operator S. C. GUINN lost his wife, IMOGENE, February 9...Your Co-reporter, AMOS FOSTER, and his wife, RUTH, moved into their new home on February 28 and ever since, Ruth has been keeping us so busy that I think BRENDA is going to run away. But, it's doing one thing for me, I sleep well at night and I don't have to stop at the Kazbar anymore.

- Amos Foster & Julius Brazil

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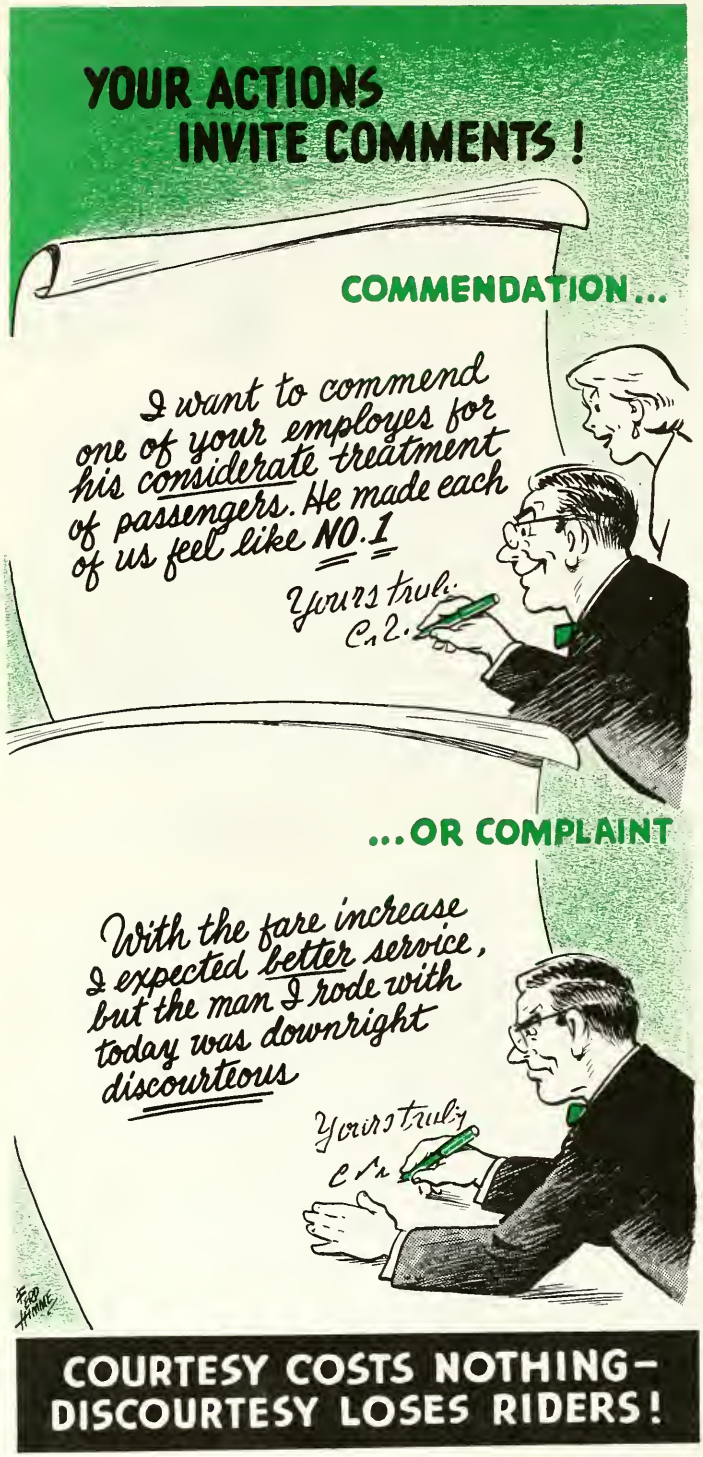

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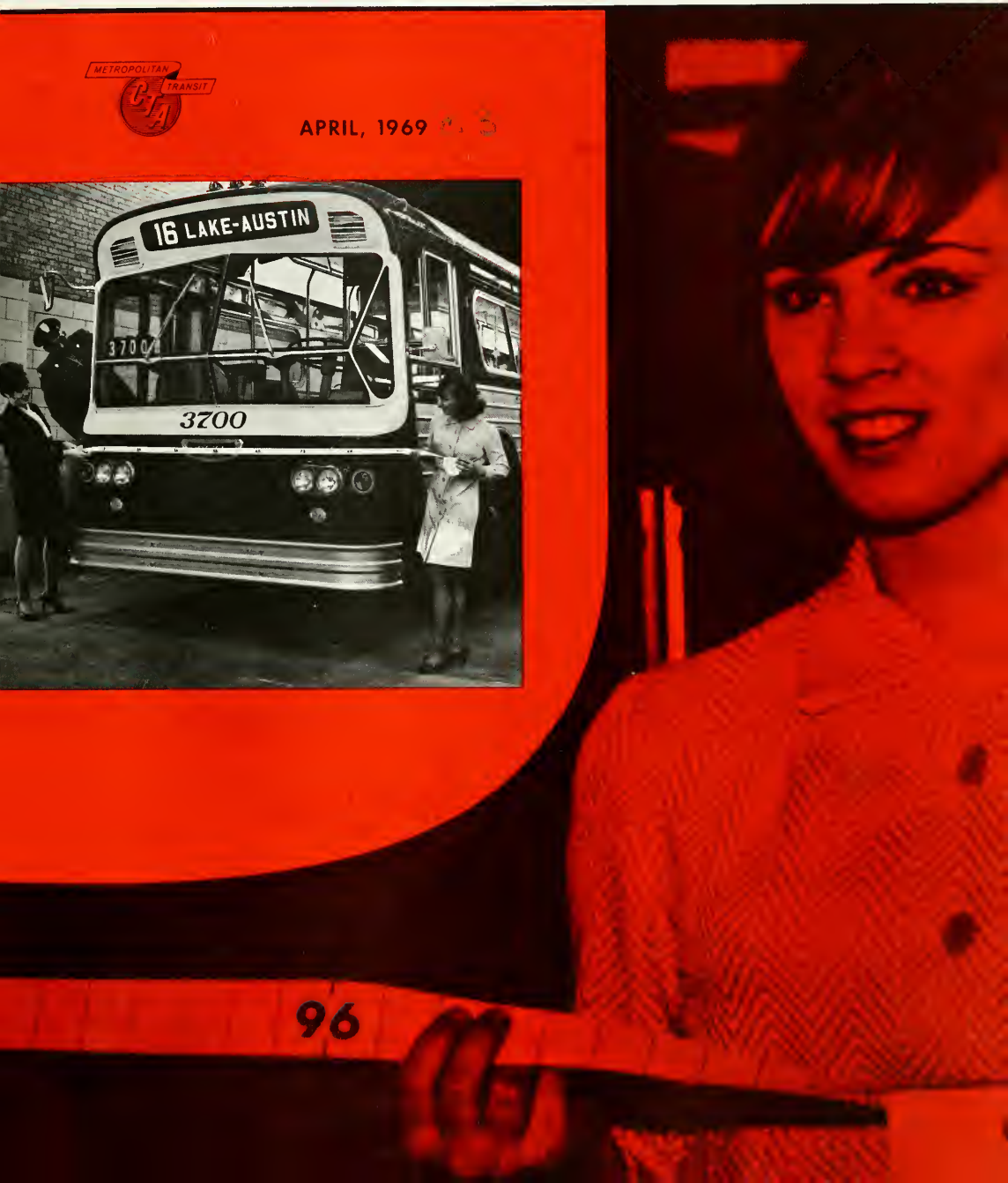

CTA PROGRESS AND PROBLEMS–1969

THE YEAR 1969 will be an exciting and challenging year for Chicago Transit Authority. Our new rapid transit extensions to Ashland avenue on the Englewood route, in the median of the Kennedy expressway, and in median of the Dan Ryan expressway being constructed by the City of Chicago, will open this year.

The extension of the Englewood route will eliminate an antiquated and inadequate station at Loomis boulevard and be replaced with a new station, off-street bus terminal and park 'n' ride facilities. Construction is well on the way.

The Dan Ryan route will be 9.8 miles long from the 95th street station to its connection with the existing elevated structure at 18th street and Wabash avenue. An exclusive bus bridge and covered waiting areas have been provided at the terminal for interchange of CTA and suburban bus riders. Nine stations are being built along the route, and construction is progressing rapidly. Some of the stations will have entrances from both sides of the street and the 69th street station will have a bridge for exclusive use of buses.

The track being laid for the extensions is welded rails on concrete ties. This is the first application of this kind for a rapid transit system. The rails are laid in 858 foot lengths.

The Kennedy rapid transit project will serve the northwest sector of the city by extending the present West-Northwest route five miles beyond the existing Logan Square terminal. Six stations, including the terminal station at Jefferson Park, will be located along the route. The CTA terminal station will have a direct connection to the adjoining North Western railway station and a bus terminal for CTA and suburban buses.

New Cars Ordered

One hundred and fifty new stainless steel, air-conditioned cars are being purchased for the lines.

The costs of these major improvements are being borne by the City of Chicago and the Federal government. The contracts are being let and supervised by City departments. Once completed, the facilities will be turned over to CTA for operation and it will be our responsibility to meet all operating expenses from CTA revenues.

The Kennedy extension will benefit about 70,000 passengers daily and the Dan Ryan route will be used by about 95,000 daily passengers. These will not all be new riders. Many of them will be diverted from other CTA bus and "L" routes. In time, we anticipate that new riders will be drawn to these services because of their convenience, speed, and modern, attractive facilities.

Bus Routes Revised

This Chicago Transit Board has approved ordinances revising some 40 bus routes to serve the new stations on the Englewood, Kennedy and Dan Ryan extensions. Bus lines in the vicinity of the stations are to be routed directly to the stations where a convenient transfer may be made to continue trips via rapid transit. As an example, at Jefferson Park nine CTA bus lines will serve the station. Riders will save 30 minutes or more in traveling to and from their destinations.

In most cases buses will pull up at the station off-street area where there will be under-cover protection and then escalators will carry people to and from the train platform. Some bus routes, such as serve the 95th street station, will be cut in two to serve the station, thus minimizing bus delays which occur on long bus lines. All this is being done for the convenience of riders to speed their trips to all parts of the city.

This year, CTA will receive delivery of 67 new buses to complete an order for 176 buses placed in 1968. This will bring the total of "New Look" buses purchased since 1961 to 1,377--almost one-half of our fleet of buses being replaced in eight years.

In my opening statement, I said that this will also be a challenging year for CTA. Yes, challenging because we are being forced to find additional sources of income. We have just increased our fares and we feel that we cannot raise them again. We recently have adopted a deficit budget for 1969 of 15 million dollars. We will not have this 15 million dollars which is necessary by trust agreement for deposit into the depreciation reserve fund for keeping our facilities up-to-date.

What are some of the reasons for CTA's present financial condition? They are--wages, cost-of-living, and inflation in general--the same things that are affecting all businesses these days, plus loss of riders.

An Address by George L. DeMent, Transit Board Chairman, on Thursday, February 6, 1969, at the 65th Annual Meeting of the Chicago Association of Commerce and Industry

In the past twelve years the number of employes have been cut substantially and yet our total payroll costs have skyrocketed. In 1968, 76.6¢ of our revenue dollar went for operating labor costs. This leaves very little for other costs of operation.

Since World War II, CTA riding has been on the downgrade. This is understandable because of the availability of automobiles after the war, the building of Chicago's excellent system of expressways and superhighways, and now the popularity of two-car and even three-car families. In 1960, there were 62 million automobiles in the United States and now we have 83 million automobiles.

However, even with our financial problems, we are going ahead with some of the plans that we have been studying for some time. One of these is a reduced fare for senior citizens that we intend to institute in April on a trial basis for several months. If this causes a loss of revenue, then some social agency should be responsible for that loss if the community feels a reduced fare for senior citizens is necessary.

Capital Budget Cut

We had originally set up a desired capital budget of 31 million dollars and this has been pared to 15 million dollars. You will note that even in our 15 million dollar deficit budget we did not include much needed new equipment, renovation of "L" stations with escalators and modern conveniences, or brand new facilities.

Chicago is fortunate to have an established and comprehensive mass transit system. It is one of the best in the country because we have both bus and rapid transit. We cannot let it deteriorate. The movement of people is as essential as police and fire protection, water and sanitation, and other vital services. We know that it has to grow because of our expanding population and we also know that it has to be improved and modernized. This cannot be done through the fare box alone. And we cannot keep increasing fares to meet our needs.

CTA is essential to our Central Business District, to outlying areas and our community in general. It is necessary for carrying people to work and school, for shoppers and for recreation. Our streets and expressways cannot possibly do the entire job.

We realize that we must do all we can to keep our present riders and attract new riders because public transportation must flourish in our city and metropolitan area. We are going to enter into an extensive marketing campaign conducted by a Citizens' Marketing Advisory Committee of experts from the business community. Their function will be to advise Chicago Transit Authority on ideas and suggestions for marketing CTA services. I am happy to announce that Mr. Carl Guldager, vice president of Sales Promotion, of Marshall Field and Company, will head the committee.

In addition, we are forming a Citizens' Customer Relations Committee which will advise on matters of improving service and ways of pleasing our riders. Mr. Warren Logelin, vice president of AMSTED Industries, will be chairman of this committee. These committees will certainly be a great asset to us.

But from where will the money come to meet our financial needs to keep our service and equipment adequate and up-to-date. This year we find it necessary to ask the state legislature for financial assistance. We are preparing our suggested program and will meet with legislative leaders within two weeks. We will need your support.

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S&E Employes Pocket Big Share of March Suggestion Awards

SHOPS & EQUIPMENT Department employes stepped into the spotlight in March, accepting both the largest amount of cash awards and the greatest number of gift certificates presented by the Employes Suggestion Plan during the month.

Named in the Suggestion Committee report as the month's biggest cash award winner was Andrew Hodowanic of Skokie Shops, who received a check for $200.

For their adopted ideas, Patrick J. Nally of South Shops was awarded $125 and Henry E. Redman Jr. of Operations Control in the General Office was awarded $100.

Seven employes who submitted their second adoptable suggestion within a year and received $25 cash awards include: Shops & Equipment—Angelo Falbo, Vernon Howe, and Maurice F. O'Connor, all of South Shops. General Office—Joanne M. Fenn, Insurance Department; Leonard R. Skrine, Office Services, and Diana L. Wood, Public Information. Transportation—Erol T. Murphy, North Section.

For submitting their first adoptable suggestion, these 11 employes each received a $7.00 Jewel-Osco gift certificate: Shops & Equipment—Leroy J. Albers, South Shops; Patricia A. Dunek, Skokie Shops; Gay L. Jenkins Jr., South Shops; Charles Qualiardi, Skokie Shops, and R. L. Smith, Kimball Shops. General Office—James E. McCoy, Real Estate; Leonard R. Skrine, Office Services, and James M. Toolis, Traffic Planning. Engineering—Malcolm C. Simpson, West Shops. Stores—Henry Brandenburg, South Shops. Transportation—Edward Federowicz, Limits Station.

OUR COVER: Proving that it measures up to expectations, Karen Hoffman (left) of South Shops and Diana Wood of Public Information hold a tape rule to bus 3700 - - the narrowest bus purchased by CTA in 20 years--as Instructor John White looks on.

Special Buses Arrive for Lake Street Route

THE FIRST of 30 new buses for the No. 16 Lake street bus route was received April 18 from the manufacturer, The Flxible company of Loudonville, Ohio. Buses in series 3700-3729 are tailor-made for Lake street service and because of their distinctive size differ from other modern CTA buses.

Before being placed in service the buses must undergo inspection in CTA shops; however, several of the new buses will begin operating early in May and by the end of the month the Lake street route will be entirely served by new vehicles. Being replaced are a like number of 21-year old buses which were retained specifically for Lake street service.

The 30 buses are the last part of a $5,335,223 order for 176 new 50-seat diesel-fueled buses. Delivery of the first 146 buses was received between November 8, 1968, and January 28, 1969. The interruption in deliveries since then was necessary to permit the manufacturer to retool its plant for production of the special buses.

Unlike all other buses produced for CTA since 1950--which are 102 inches wide--the 30 latest buses are only 96 inches wide. The limited passing clearance between "L" columns on Lake street necessitates the use of narrower buses.

The buses differ from other new buses in items relating to width only--windshield, axle, roof and floor panels, and seats. The extra-large 36-inch wide seats which have been standard in all new CTA buses and rapid transit cars since 1961 are replaced by 34-inch wide seats in the 30 special buses to maintain adequate aisle space.

FOR THE fourth time since 1956, Skokie Shops had been awarded the coveted American Transit Association Bronze Certificate for safety achievements. The facility was awarded the certificate for logging 296,620 consecutive man hours without a lost time injury between November 11, 1967, and August 9, 1968. Displaying the ATA award are, from left, W. A. Ashley, superintendent of Insurance and Pensions, E. R. Hendrickson, superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals, and J. F. Dudley, S&E coordinator of fire and safety. Skokie Shops won the Bronze Certificate previously in 1956, 1962, and 1967.

Board Approves Senior Citizen Fare, O'Hare Airport Bus Service

ACTION TAKEN by Chicago Transit Board at the April 10 meeting included approval of a reduced senior citizen fare and an agreement with the City of Chicago to establish bus service between the Kennedy rapid transit extension and O'Hare airport.

The special senior citizen fare, which is identical to child/student rates, became effective Sunday, April 20, and will continue throughout a test period.

The reduced fare for all persons 65 years and older applies Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sundays and certain holidays from 7 a.m. to Midnight. The holidays are: New Year's day, Memorial day, Independence day, Labor day, Thanksgiving day, and Christmas day.

To qualify for the reduced fare, senior citizens must show their Medicare card or special CTA identification card when paying fares. Only those persons not possessing Medicare cards are issued the CTA senior citizen reduced fare permit.

During the test period, periodic checks of senior citizen riding will be made within the specified hours to evaluate gain or loss of revenue as compared with checks made prior to the start of the program. These riding checks will determine how long the program is to continue and whether a subsidy will be necessary in order for it to continue.

"CTA welcomes the opportunity to serve the 400,000 senior citizens in the Chicago area with our reduced fare plan," said George L. DeMent, chairman of Chicago Transit Board. "Despite our financial problems, we feel that we owe it to our golden-agers to give them this opportunity to ride during non-rush hours at a reduced fare."

The proposed CTA express bus service will link the soon-to-be-completed Jefferson Park terminal of the West-Northwest rapid transit route and O'Hare International airport.

The Mayor's Committee for Economic and Cultural Development of the City of Chicago was authorized by the Board to make an application to the U. S. Department of Transportation (DOT) for a Federal grant to finance CTA express bus service between the terminal and O'Hare airport to transport workers from areas of high unemployment within the City to job locations at the airport not otherwise served by local mass transportation.

If approved, DOT will provide 90 per cent of the net costs (project costs after deducting revenue) and the balance will come from interested businesses at the airport arranged through the Mayor's Committee for Economic and Cultural Development.

Beginning at the Jefferson Park terminal, express buses would operate southeast in Milwaukee avenue to Lawrence avenue, east in Lawrence avenue to the Kennedy expressway, and in the Kennedy expressway to O'Hare airport. Stops at the airport would be in the terminal and cargo areas. Buses would return to the Jefferson Park terminal over the outbound route.

Twenty-four hour service, seven days a week, would be provided at intervals of 30 minutes from 4 a.m. to Midnight and hourly between Midnight and 4 a.m. The charge for this service would be the same as CTA's outer-zone rates of fares.

Service would begin coincidental with the opening of the new rapid transit service in the Kennedy expressway to Jefferson Park.

FOURTH QUARTER winners of the Interstation Safety Contest in 1968 were Lowndale Station with a score of 67.26 and 61st Street Station with a 60.28 score. Accepting the award for Lawndale Station from Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn, at left, are H. P. Braun and J. S. Petrosius. In the picture at right, G. A. Riley, superintendent of operating stations, is presenting the plaque to 61st Street Superintendent R. W. Meisner.

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

METABOLISM OF THE BODY

By Dr. George H. Irwin,

CTA Medical Consultant

METABOLISM IS the sum of all the physical and chemical processes by which living organized substance is produced and maintained. Also, metabolism includes the transformation of substances, such as chemicals, foods, and tissues, into energy for the use of the body.

During the metabolic reaction of our body cells, oxidation occurs and heat and energy are produced. Also during this reaction, or process, waste products --mainly water and carbon dioxide--are given off.

Body metabolism is determined by taking the basal metabolic rates. This test measures the amount of oxygen consumed per minute and is prorated and calculated according to age and body weight.

The thyroid hormone, which is produced in the thyroid gland, is the main controlling factor of metabolic rate. It should be noted that every cell and every organ in our body--as well as all food substances, chemicals, and minerals--have different metabolisms.

The energy our body requires for living and working is accordingly derived, by metabolism, from the foodstuffs we eat. Metabolism, sometimes referred to as the "process of life," is very complicated and calls for teamwork among the machinery of the human body. Furthermore, the complexity of metabolism is increased because each food substance as mentioned above such as carbohydrates, protein, and fat have different metabolic rates or processes. Likewise, all minerals such as potassium, chloride, calcium, salt, etc., have different metabolisms. Finally, the various tissues of the body, including arteries, nerves, muscles, and bones, have their own special kind of metabolism.

From the above remarks one may realize the magnitude of this subject of metabolism. You will also understand why we can only mention a few outstanding aspects in such a brief article. I trust a few examples will help for a better understanding.

Carbohydrates present in the starchy foods are converted into sugars of their own type of metabolism. When this process is normal, our body is healthy and full of energy. When the metabolism of carbohydrates is abnormal, diseases such as diabetes develop.

Proteins, more than fats or carbohydrates, are used to build up cellular structures and tissues. The tissue waste products resulting from the wear and tear of living, are replaced by the new stances of protein metabolism. Though tissue repair is one of the chief functions of proteins, they are also burned for energy. Proteins contain many nitrogen compounds and are present in common foods such as meat, eggs, and cheese.

Fats, present in all fatty foods, such as fatty meats, butter, ice cream, etc., enter the blood as droplets largely via the lymphatic vessels. In the normal metabolism, oxidation is the main process by which fats are burned to carbon dioxide and water. When the combustion or metabolism of fats is not normal or complete, fat droplets are deposited in various parts of our body producing overweight.

THE LIVER - ITS ROLE IN METABOLISM

Probably no other organ or tissue in the body is so chemically versatile or so metabolically indispensable as is the liver. It is the most amazing and dazzling chemical plant ever known. At all times it keeps a 24 hour supply of glycogen or starch. Part of this is converted into glucose which is fuel for muscle action and is fed into the blood stream. Each second 10 million red blood cells die and these must be disposed of. The spleen breaks them down and then the liver helps salvage the components and build new red blood cells.

Among its many jobs--500 or more--the liver manufactures bile which is then stored in the gall bladder and is used for aiding digestion at meal time. It also has an important role in the digestion or metabolism of protein-carbohydrates and fats. The liver acts as a storage bin for many vitamins.

We constantly consume lethal poisons such as alcohol, nicotine, and various drugs. The liver is always on the job and detoxifies them so they are harmless. It also has to do with production of cholesterol. One other very important function of the liver is the production of fibrinogen and prothrombin which help clot the blood. One might cut their finger and bleed to death were it not for this important liver function.

In conclusion: Remember metabolism is the process of life. It is an important factor in the general build of our body, how we look, feel, and work. It is most important in our general health and in how long we live.

QUESTION:

What is your favorite type of entertainment?

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JACK CHUNOWITZ, auto damage examiner (with reporter Shari Pupa): "My favorite form of entertainment, besides watching my wife and daughters enjoy life and making them happy, would be attending the theatre or seeing shows like those that took place at McCormick Place, trying new restaurants, and traveling when we can. I also like to bowl and just relax in front of the TV with some homemade popcorn."

SAM VAUGHAN, locator: "My favorite type of entertainment is visiting points of interest in various cities on the weekends. My wife, Willie, and my daughter, Joyce, are always ready to take a short sightseeing trip to a new city. Upon arrival, my daughter's first point of interest is the nearest ice cream parlor."

RAY TIERI, legal investigator (with reporter Peggy Hallahan): "My favorite forms of entertainment are bowling, dancing, and fishing, with the latter being even more fun now that my wife is interested in it."

VINCE MOORE, adjustor: "My favorite entertainment is baseball. I don't believe there is any finer thrill than being present at the ball park. It's the last half of the ninth inning--the home team is trailing by three runs--and on the next pitch the batter hits a grand slam home run to win the game. There's nothing like it."

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (Tabulating) -

Sympathy is extended to CLARENCE BUTHMAN and family on the death of his father-in-law, Mr. EDWARD PLAGE, who was buried in Waterloo, Illinois...MARION SUTHERLAND journeyed to sunny California for a delightful two weeks and took part in a beautiful housewarming party in Long Beach. During a lovely drive to Palm Springs she became ecstatic about the 78 degree weather, the mountains, and the sun. She also paid a visit to San Diego and went into Mexico where she spent some time shopping.

- Evelyn Leu

(Revenue) -

Welcome to new Revenue employes: JACQUELINE BIZEK, comptometer operator; ARLENE SPATZEK, key punch operator, and REBECCA WILSON, comptometer operator, who transferred from agent on the rapid transit system.

- Clotilde Mrzena

(Payroll) -

We regret losing our "star" reporter, EILEEN NEURAUTER, to the Public Information Department, but we wish her much success and happiness of her new position as service representative. Confidentially, she is still on Cloud 9 since her promotion...CHRISTINE CAMERON flew to Colorado Springs and spent a delightful week with her brother and his family...Leaving plenty of space in their suitcases for their winnings (?), DENNIS ROGUS and BILL SHOLDICE, Training & Accident Prevention Department, set out for that fabulous place—Las Vegas—where they enjoyed many of the big shows and basking in the sun during the day. They went on to Vail, Colorado, for a little skiing before visiting friends in Denver...JOANNE PARIS' active Hustlers Ski Club flew to Aspen, Colorado, to enjoy their favorite sport and while there they met a Singing Group also called the Hustlers, who were performing at the Red Onion. This was too much, so they immediately initiated the group into the Club and a good time was had by all...To dodge a bit of winter, CLARA LAWRENCE sojourned to Scottsdale, Arizona, for two weeks to enjoy some fun in the sun and cheer the Cubs on to victory. The weather was great, but leaving Arizona where it was 86 degrees at 2 p.m. and arriving in Chicago at 6 p.m. in 26 degree temperature was quite a shock.

- Clara Lawrence

BEVERLY -

Florida, the sunshine state, has again increased its population as one of the last of the "Red Devils" now resides there. He is better known as Pensioner BILL RADLOFF. Bill's new address is: Royal Stewart Arms, Apt. 204 Clyde Bank, 3 Gates Head Drive, Dunedin Beach, Florida 33528. There are only a few of us left, Bill, and I sure hope to see all of you lucky pensioners some day...Thanks to Pensioner BERNIE ZESCH and his lovely wife, FRANCES, for the Easter mass card and wonderful letter. Glad to hear you are feeling better, Bernie, keep up the good work...We work all our lives while we are here for this short visit on earth and only a few of us are allowed to enjoy a few years of happiness, that is why we must "keep the faith."..We express our sympathy to the families of the following: HELEN SHEEHAN, the sister of Pensioner PETE FLAHERTY of 241, GEORGE WAGNER of 69th, and our old buddy Operator HARRY DeLORME who passed away...Clerk MIKE AKAI is a wonderful artist and should make better use of his talents, not waste it.

- Tom Daniels

CONGRESS (Agents) -

Spring is here and one of Agent FAY CAPRIO's passengers went so far as to write a poem for her...The latter part of this month, Agent GEORGIA BURGEE and her husband, PAUL, are leaving for Mexico where they have made many friends. They will attend a fiesta in Jiminez and are planning to have a good time. They will come home via the southwest part of the country where they will stop and visit relatives...Security Officer JAMES TRUHLAR is confined at McNeal hospital in Berwyn and wishes to thanks his coworkers and friends for their kindness...Agent CHARLES SNYDER is in St. Elizabeth hospital. Charles can't chase the nurses around because of his broken leg, but he can dream...Trainman FRANK SVICUZZA took a vacation starting April 13 and didn't come back. The fellows at Desplaines had a nice pension party for him. Frank always started and ended his work day with a smile. Good luck and good health...Bus Operator JACK WILLIAMS of Kedzie Depot is retiring as of May 1. He got a most unusual job opportunity--lots of fresh air, sunshine, and no uniforms. It's just great he says and if you are interested he'll be glad to tell you about it. It beats bird watching...Congratulations to MARY CLARKE on her retirement. We wish Mary many happy years and hope that we'll see her from time to time...Desplaines Clerk THOMAS GUNN is on vacation. He's doing what a lot of us do--catching up with things we always put off doing or can't find time to do when we are working...Porter JAMES CLARK is out fishing every chance he gets. He catches them and the neighbors eat them. Sunday, April 13, he caught seven blue gills and a northern pike.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL (Blue Island) -

On St. Patrick's day all of us at Blue Island enjoyed a delicious corned beef and cabbage dinner which was prepared by HANK GABAUER. Hank has taken over most of the kitchen duties and since doing so has hurried to complete the Red Cross first aid training. We wonder if he is trying to tell us something about his cooking...Best of luck to MIKE BATTISTO who retired on April 1. Among the many who wished him well at a farewell breakfast were Pensioners ED BOYLE, CLYDE PETERSON, JAKE BERNSTEIN, and LEN FRANCISCO...Welcome back to N. WALLACE who has just returned from sick leave. W. LOOS, L. DONOFRIO, and W. STAUNTON are still out and we wish them a speedy recovery...Our sympathy is extended to the

families of FRANK REGAL and MAX MUCHA, and to HARVEY HEIDE on the loss of his father...The following men all celebrated birthdays in March: J. FRIEDMAN, W. GLASSNER, A. WILLIAMS, E. SUPERZYNSKI, P. KENNY, B. CZANSTKOWSKI, J. McDERMOTT, J. BRONDON, A. FENNEMA, F. McDERMOTT, N. WALLACE, R. NELSON, C. CUDEK, and G. EGGERS. Congratulations and best wishes to all of you...The ice is gone from the lakes and streams and we are looking forward to some lovely spring weather, but the one sure sign we have that spring is here is the fact that ZIGGY, COOK, and ROCH are changing all conversations to boating...Received a card from BARNEY TOAL who vacationed in Florida. He visited SCOTTY JOHNSON and AIDENS KENNY and found them both well and really enjoying retired life...To all pensioners--remember the coffee pot is always on and the fellows here at Blue Island enjoy your visits.

- William Rehder

ENGINEERING–RESEARCH & PLANNING -

Congratulations to ROY SMITH and his wife, MARYANNE, formerly of Executive. A second son, ROBERT GERARD SMITH, arrived at Christ Community hospital on March 26 weighing in at 6 pounds 11 ounces...A farewell luncheon was held on March 21 for PEGGY LEONARD who left CTA to await a blessed event. More than 25 employes gathered. Peggy received some very nice gifts...Our condolences go to ROBERT HODGETTS whose father passed away recently...Welcome back J. B. O'REILLY. It is good to see you back on the job again...We welcome YOLENNE CLAUDE to the department...We are all happy to see HELEN LOFTUS back on the job again. Helen wishes to thank everyone for the wonderful cards and notes sent to her during the time of her illness...Our condolences to GRACE IACONO and her husband, FRANK, South Shops, on the passing of Mrs. FILOMENA IACONO on March 14. She was Frank's mother...We welcome Co-op Trainee MARK TUSHINSKI to the department...Best wishes go to JEANNE FITZGERALD, our former scribe, on her new position in the Public Information Department.

(West Shops) -

JOE RUZICH, track foreman, retired on April 1 after 44 years of service. Joe worked at 61st Street. He plans to take it easy and do some traveling. Fellow workers had a luncheon in his honor and presented him with a lovely gift... Laborer TONY VITTORIO, who has been with the company for 27 years, retired on April 1. He was taken out to dinner by fellow workers and presented with a check. I, among many others, will certainly miss seeing Tony riding in his yellow jeep. When asked what his future plans were, he simply replied, "I've got lots of grandchildren." I guess that adequately answers the question...Speaking of grandchildren, congratulations are in order to BILL GILLIGAN, assistant steamfitter foreman, whose daughter had a baby boy recently...A proud father indeed, is Steamfitter ALAN DOWNING, for his son, ALAN, appeared in the Albert J. Horan St. Philip concert honoring Edward V. Hanrahan our States Attorney. Alan Jr. did a solo of "Climbin' Up the Mountain" and "Ole Man River." The concert was held at Orchestra Hall and many people of importance graced the audience. Among them was Mayor Daley...JIM BEATTY, laborer, plans to bear hunt at Sault Sainte Marie in the upper peninsula of Michigan during the first week of May. Jim is quite a hunter. He has gotten himself two deer this past year alone. On this trip he hopes to bag a bear so that he can have a bear skin rug. Let's hope he doesn't come up with a bare skin. Lot's of luck, Jim...WILLIAM HASKINS, steamfitter foreman, spent four glorious weeks touring Florida. Everyone who knows Bill knows that he owns a beautiful Harley-Davidson motorcycle, but he didn't go to Florida on his bike. He drove his car. However, he said he enjoyed the trip and the sights...WEST SHOPS FLASH: What stalwart old steamfitter comes to work with a lady's gold change purse?

- Jeanne Fitzgerald & Mary Gallon

HOLDING HIS weapon at ready is SP/4 KEVIN J. HALLEN, the son of Repairman JAMES HALLEN, Forest Glen, and the grandson of Pensioner EDWARD SCHMIDT. Kevin is presently assigned to the 51st Infantry Division, stationed in Illesheim, Germany.

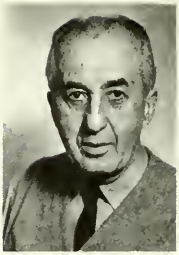
FOREST GLEN -

Hi men! ERNIE GRUDEL says he had a fine vacation when he and his wife spent several weeks in Florida. They did a little fishing, catching a few sea bass, but didn't have too much luck as the weather wasn't too good. He spent a day with Pensioner GEORGE KREHL and his wife where they are enjoying retirement in their lovely home. The four of them went to the dog races, but our friend, Ernie, just went to the dogs for he lost every race...The annual Division 241 golf tournament will be held on July 7 at the St. Andrews Country Club at North avenue and Route 59. Our par shooters, ANTON SONJU, ANDY LEE, and of course, "MOOSE" NIMTZ, are starting to practice along with WALTER PONDEL. Please see the committee for any more details. Good luck to all...Driving to Florida this month is Receiver EDWARD O'KEEFE and his wife and sister-in-law, Mrs. HARTUNG. Ed says, "Wait until I try my hand at fishing in those coastal waters, in fact, I believe I'll outdo all the others." Anyway, Ed, I'm looking for a good story for next month...Flash--HOLLY RODERICH is expecting the stork in late June or early July. No wonder Operator RODERICH is walking around with his chest out a mile. The best to you two kids, and be sure and let us know if it's a boy or girl...Seems there is a certain group that buys coffee and rolls on their birthdays. Well, a few weeks ago TOM MEAGHER had a birthday and what did he do? He took off so we didn't get any coffee and rolls from him. What some guys won't do to save a few cents. Oh well, we'll get even with him...Operator THOMPSON was recently in the hospital because of his back. He is well now and has returned working the Austin line. I don't believe you could find a nicer fellow, one who is so well liked around

P. J. GAFFNEY
41 Years

J. H. DRAUS
40 Years

G. J. BROUCEK
44 Years



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NEW PENSIONERS

MIKE BATTISTO, Lineman, Electrical, Emp. 4-10-39
JOHN P. BENNIS, Traffic Clerk, Schedule-Traffic, Emp. 9-7-27
GEORGE F. BRAZINGTON, Repairer, North Avenue, Emp. 1-6-43
GEORGE J. BROUCEK, Conductor, North Section, Emp. 2-11-25
MARY E. CLARKE, Statistical Sec. Supvr. Train. & Acc. Prev., Emp. 6-4-23
WILLIAM F. CLAUSSEN, Operator, Archer, Emp. 10-19-36
LAWSON C. DELVIN, Chief Clerk, North Section, Emp. 5-10-27
JOSEPH H. DRAUS, Upholsterer Foreman, South Shops, Emp. 2-20-29
JOHN B. FITZGERALD, Motorman, West Section, Emp. 6-8-39
PATRICK J. GAFFNEY, Carpenter, South Shops, Emp. 8-8-27
CLEMENS HAMMERSCHMITT, Elec. Worker, Skokie Shops, Emp. 7-2-42
EDWIN E. HARDER, Collector, Keeler, Emp. 10-29-29
JACK M. HILLMAN, Inspector, Special Investigation, Emp. 7-10-29
CHARLES J. HUCK, Janitor, 77th Street, Emp. 9-12-42
PATRICK J. KETT, Repairer, North Avenue, Emp. 10-27-42
CARL A. LILJEHORN, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 11-7-33
WALTER C. LINDEMANN, Operator, North Park, Emp. 2-8-28

the depot...Operator JOE MURPHY retired on March 1. He is planning to enjoy life by taking it easy for a while. Good luck, Joe, from all of us...Operator TERRY SMOCZYNSKI reports the birth of a son, ERIC, on December 12, 1968, weighing 6½ pounds. They now have two children...CLIFFORD LAST finally received his first letter of commendation and he was sure proud. I do believe he showed it to all who would stand still long enough to hear the story...Don't forget your credit union, fellows. They are ready to be of service when you need them...Have any of you noticed the sideburns some of our boys are sporting? Oh yes, and what do you call it, the thing that grows under your nose? Well, take a good luck at Operator PETE PETERSON. He needs some black shoe polish for his blonde mustache. I do believe it would show up better. TOM HICKEY is sporting the sideburns. Well, fellows, I'd say they do something for you...Supervisor GALLAGHER is now wearing the new gray uniform, and let me tell you he looks great. The old boy looks younger everyday.

- W. A. Henry (Don't call me Wilbur)

KEELER -

Being proud is something to be proud of, and Keeler Station is no exception. Our record speaks for itself. One of the reasons for this is Station Instructor J. HENDERSON. Just to enlighten you, here are a couple of tips Mr. Henderson so graciously submitted: (1) The light poles on Addison and Diversey have been numbered. The number at the top tells you what hundred block you are in, so by watching the numbers, you can tell when to change transfer zones and also call streets. (2) Better relations can be had by talking more to the passengers. Not in the sense of holding a conversation, but by the use of the following phrases: watch your step, hold on, move to the rear of the bus, and to be sure and say please. Also, call the streets. The above can be practiced at home on the wife, all except calling the streets...Our warmest congratulations go out to Co-reporter ERNEST CARTER and his wife, VIRGIL, who celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary on April 27. I would like to extend my personal wish for 31 more years of harmony... Little PAUL DANIELS Jr., the son of Operator PAUL DANIELS Sr., celebrated his fifth birthday on April 15. We also extend belated birthday greetings to Mrs. FLORENCE NELSON, the wife of Operator JAMES NELSON, who celebrated on March 29...Welcome back to Operator JOE COCHRANE and L. KUZYK who recently recovered from their illness. Things will return to normal now. Hey, hurry back, FREY. Sorry to hear of Operator SAM HIGHSMITH's recent accident. Here's wishing you a speedy recovery and hope you return soon...I took a walk through the repair department a couple of weeks ago, and the guys are really together. Talk about spirit! Talk about teamwork! Talk about harmony! Baby, they've got it. I would like to salute all the mechanics and garagemen on their high degree of efficiency and great capabilities...Garageman ALBERT ANDREWS is packing his fishing rods, reels, and camping gear to take that long and well-deserved vacation. Have a good trip, Al, and hurry back...Well, I guess every-

W. C. LINDEMANN
41 Years

H. P. TROUTMAN
40 Years

M. McCORMACK
42 Years

G. VAN DERHAEGHEN
40 Years

J. P. BENNIS
41 Years

FOR THE ten CTAers pictured here, April 1 became an important date - - it was their first day of retirement. Each of the new pensioners had been in the employ of CTA and predecessor transit companies for more than 40 years.

WILLARD L. LUCAS, Blacksmith-Welder, Skokie Shops, Emp. 2-7-39
ALEXANDER LUCE, Operator, Lawndale, Emp. 2-13-36
MAURICE McCORMACK, Operator, Archer, Emp. 2-15-27
JOSEPH R. McCOURT, Janitor, 77th Street, Emp. 1-23-46
EUGENE J. MERSKI, Operator, Archer, Emp. 2-27-45
GEORGE W. NELSON, Operator, Beverly, Emp. 7-24-29
FRANK J. OSTERBERGER, Transf. Counter, Accounting, Emp. 4-10-42
HARRY T. RUBY, Repairer, Limits, Emp. 4-3-36
JOSEPH S. RUZICH, Track Foreman, Engineering, Emp. 6-12-24
HAZE P. TROUTMAN, Janitor, West Section, Emp. 7-27-28
GEORGE A. VAN DERHAEGHEN, Trainman, North Section, Emp. 1-5-29
ANTHONY VITTORIO, Laborer, Building, Emp. 8-14-46

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

COLONEL A. DIGGS, Operator, Kedzie, Emp. 12-16-48
ANDREW J. KLICH, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 8-24-37
HILTON C. STEWART, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 6-22-48

one knows JIMMY SYLVESTER is back, especially the operators. It seems that things can't go smoothly without Jim downstairs. Welcome back, Jim; stick around for awhile, okay?..Mechanic GUS PAVALKA is hospitalized. We all would like to wish him a speedy return. Don't worry, Gus, because your job is in reliable hands according to Mechanic SCHMIDT...Well, this being my first column with my co-reporter of long standing, Ernest Carter, I hope everyone can bear the mistakes, errors in punctuation, and any other discrepancies you may find. But remember, "Rome wasn't built in a day."

- Ernest C. Carter & Anthony Berry

KEDZIE -

The office is newly painted, the atmosphere is more pleasant, now all we have to do is cut down on accidents so we can win a new plaque to hang on the wall. To do this, let's all just try a little harder and remember to drive defensively...The Little Flower had their breakfast and mass and the turnout was great...I heard from a reliable source that Board Member William Larson and Pensioner MIKE KENNY are going to chip in and buy Operator GUY DI MEO a road map so he can find his way home after an outing. Guy, on the way home from Little Flower made a wrong turn on the expressway and was heading for Wisconsin. He went about 30 miles before he realized he was going the wrong way...Loader GEORGE BUTLER at Union Station will open the doors of his new church at 2429 W. Roosevelt road. He held his first service on Easter, and the turnout was good. Reverend Butler invites everyone to his church, and any of you operators living in that area stop in and say hello to George...At the St. Patrick's Day parade I saw supervisor WALTER WENTZEL rerouting buses. He looks good and likes his job very much. Walter is a former conductor out of the old Armitage Depot. He went to North Avenue when it closed. He says hello to everyone...I was down to the General Office last month and stopped in and said hello to our editor, BOB HEINLEIN. While I was in the hall I met SID JACOBSON, formerly of Armitage. He's working in the mailroom. Jake looks real good for himself and says hello to all. Also in the mailroom is Former Operator MEL SKINNER. He likes his new job and says hello to everyone at Kedzie...We send our deepest sympathy to the WAGGONER family on the loss of Street Collector GEORGE WAGGONER who worked at the 63rd and Kedzie terminal.

- Raymond Graham

LIMITS -

Supervisor WALTER STONE, who is stationed at the Union Station and doing an excellent job of starting the buses from there, is a very happy and proud man since his wife, BETTY, presented him with a handsome baby boy. This makes two boys and two girls in the Stone family. Congratulations to the proud parents...Operator HERMAN TRIMUEL and his dear wife, BETTY, celebrated their first wedding anniversary last month. Congratulations to this

fine couple...M. ROUBINEK, who retired eight years ago, paid a visit to Limits Station last month. He is now living at Lake Delavan, Wisconsin, where he is in good health and enjoying his retirement to the fullest. He sends his best regards to all the men he worked with...TIM RIORDAN, who was superintendent of the repair department at Limits, has been promoted to supervisor of north side garages. Congratulations to this fine man...Happy birthday to our chief maintenance man, EDWARD FEDEROWICZ, who celebrated on April 3. He refuses to divulge his age (except that he is JACK BENNY's age, 39)...We are happy to see BOB COLLUM back on the active list after undergoing surgery...W. O. McDANIEL and BENJAMIN EVANS enjoyed a fishing trip up in Sioux Narrows, Canada. They reported that they got their quota of fish and are looking forward to more of it later this summer. Evans is formerly from Lawndale, but is now taking life easy since he had a heart transplant... DALE KOEHNKE is all excited about the home he is in the process of building in sunny Florida. He expects it to be completed sometime this summer. Koehnke is the brother-in-law of Supervisor JOE DAQUILANTE who is doing an excellent job of keeping the buses on schedule...Our sincerest sympathy to the family of Clerk JOHN GILMORE who passed away last month after a long and lingering illness. The mother of FRANK PRADZINSKI passed away last month and our sincerest sympathy is also extended to him.

- R. S. Benson

LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

We are glad to see Lake Street Trainman LEO FORD and Clerk DAN DOYLE back from the sick list...Our condolences to Agent MILDRED DOYLE and her family on the death of her mother in March...Agent MINNIE DIKEMAN is still on the sick list at this writing...We had a wonderful time at the Met Credit Union dinner. The smorgasbord at Nielsen's on North avenue was delicious, as always. We saw quite a few friends, among them Former Agents MADELEINE HAYS and VERONICA NICHOLS...I want to say goodbye to all my friends as this is my last column. Your new scribe will be Miss KATIE MORIARTY. Please give her all the cooperation you can.

- Helen Pallister

LOOP -

Agent MARY WIXTED was off work for several weeks with a very bad cold. Now she's back and we are all glad. Why? Because she's a swell gal!..Not too long ago a janitor was asking for "Effie." He asked up and down every line, but no one could find her. No one even knew her. One of our older agents got to thinking and at last "Effie" was found. Want to know who she is, Agent FAY CAPRIO... Agent JOHN COSGROVE had a birthday on March 16. How old? Well, he's getting up there and says, "Let's skip that question." He has also celebrated his fifth anniversary with the CTA as a ticket agent. By the way, John is top man on the part-time agent's list. A little more news about John--he is going to leave us soon and tour Europe. When he comes back he may take a job as a G-man. Well, good luck in whatever alley you travel...Hey! Hey! Agent JOHN FILIPEK got a new three-year old car and he said it's a jim dandy, when his wife and daughter let him drive around the block...TOM STEVENS left as an agent to become a bus driver. While driving Tom will be waiting for the police to call him--for the academy. Good luck, Tom...Agent SUE SMYCH just returned from New York. She was visiting a friend, and a grand time Sue had. Welcome back, we're glad you didn't go to work for the New York transit system. ..Agent MIKE AHERN is scouting around for a school. Have you tried New Mexico, Mike? They may consider taking you in. Your dear friend said you better sign up by mail and send them a check first before you go out and talk to them. Why, Mike?..Since there's not much work around, a fellow called TED is getting plenty of use out of the platform phone, but we won't say where. Ted's jolly friend let this slip. "Just joking," this jolly one said...Oh, how pretty. It's lime green and not one dent on it, yet. That's Agent J. GEORGE's new Ford Galaxy 500. He has told all of us to park one car length in back of him, so we won't fence in or dent this beauty...Agent J. MATTRAN likes her booth floors nice and clean. So does Janitor JIMMY CIVITO. So that's why the Austin station floor always has a sparkling look about it. Sometimes Jimmy will tell you to take your shoes off so you don't dirty the floor. Is that really the only reason, Jimmy?..Agent TARHITIA MARTEN has troubles by the dozen. First, she went to the hospital with gallstones, and when she arrived she found she only had an upset tummy. She came home very happy. Then a few days later she had three teeth pulled. Well, we are glad you are back and feeling great...Let's say so long for awhile to Agent HELEN PALLISTER who is retiring on May 1. Helen has bought a lovely home in Salem, Wisconsin. She said she is going to enjoy her family, and above all her grandchildren. Helen has worked as an agent, in the assignment office several years, and as a Transit News reporter. She was a big help to many new agents. She would help them when they were all mixed up and thought the world was at an end. She spoke very well of everyone and felt very bad if she found out someone misunderstood her. All in all, Helen is a fine girl and may she have many years of health, happiness, prosperity, and success in all she does.

- Mildred Doyle

IN WHAT could be a precedent for others was the wedding of GLORIA J. PETERSON, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. EARL PETERSON, when her marriage to CHALMERS M. POWELL Jr. was the first to be held in the Atomic Energy Commission chapel in Mercury, Nevada, where they both are employed. Earl is a bus operator at Beverly Depot.

NORTH AVENUE -

Many happy returns of the day to Pensioner AKSEL WINDFELD who celebrated his 80th birthday March 13... Congratulations to VINCENT SCURTI, repair department, and his wife, SHARON, on the birth of their baby boy, VINCENT Jr...We received a welcome letter and Easter card from Pensioner BILL ECHOLS. Bill has been having some trouble with his war leg, but it is progressing well and he expects to be up and around soon. I think Bill enjoys life in

Hot Springs too much to stay sick long. We were happy also to receive a letter from Pensioner ART MOILANEN. Art was laid up with the flu, and his wife had surgery. We are glad to report that all is well now. Art also has been doing some fishing. A card from Pensioner ERNEST PEARSON and his wife, ANNA, reports good fishing at Norfork Dam near Mountain Home, Arkansas. They are looking at homes in that area...Repairman GEORGE BRAZINGTON took his pension April 1 after 26 years of service. He plans to live in Lake Worth, Florida, a good place for fishing and golfing. PATRICK KETT, Repair Department, also joined the pensioners on April 1. Best wishes to both. Keep in touch, boys...We are sorry to report that Operators VIGGO WINDFELD and HAROLD GERTZ are still on the sick list. Get well, boys...We welcome our three new foremen--day foreman JOSEPH FIORITA, p.m. foreman THOMAS GECAN, and night foreman ALEX PALA. We're happy to have them with us...Former Operator MIKE CARPINELLI is now associated with Imperial Realtors, 6315 Milwaukee avenue, Chicago...Operator JERRY VANEK lost his wife March 18. Operator EDWARD MENTH passed away March 21. Operator RALPH and MIKE CARPINELLI lost their father, RALPH Sr., March 7. Our sympathy goes to these bereaved families...The Memorial day weekend is coming up. Be careful on the highways and come back safe and sound.

Navy Lieutenant GENE A. SCHARFENORTH, the son of Pensioner and Mrs. ROY SCHARFENORTH, recently received the U.S. Navy "outstanding performance of duty" award in ceremonies aboard the USS Lowry at Norfolk, Virginia. Gene served as the ship's damage control assistant and repair division officer during combat operations off the coast of Vietnam. Roy was a bus operator at North Avenue. Congratulations, Gene.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

Remember the date--Monday, July 14. The event, the annual Division 241 golf day at St. Andrews golf club. Golf, dinner, and prizes for all are on the agenda. So, make your reservations for this big day...Operator WALTER LINDEMANN retired on April 1 after 41 years of service. Walter and his wife, ELEANOR, who are residents of Antioch, Illinois, are planning to do some traveling and spend a lot of time pursuing their hobby of fishing. Operator JOHN O'MAN retired on March 1 after 40 years of service. We at North Park wish these two fine gentlemen many years of leisure living...Pensioner CHARLES KERR spent a week visiting in Chicago, and while here purchased a new automobile. Mr. Kerr was a happy visitor at the depot and had a ball talking over old times with his many friends...Operator JOHN COSGROVE and his wife, HELEN, flew American Airlines to New York City for a week's vacation. On the agenda were visits to Rockefeller Center, the Statue of Liberty, the U.N. Building, and a day at Irvington, New Jersey, to visit Helen's cousin...Operator TOM DIVER and his wife, HERMAINE, spent a week's vacation visiting Tom's sister, Mrs. FRANCES TROTTER, who resides in Escanaba, Michigan...Pensioner JOE KARASEK jetted to San Francisco, California, to visit his son, Doctor MARVIN KARASEK, who resides in Palo Alto, California. Joe reports that the meals and go go girls were the greatest... Pensioner JOE GRASSL, who live in Edgerton, Wisconsin, has done it again. Joe was named the "Volunteer of the Year" by the Sertoma Club of Madison, Wisconsin. Joe and his wife, FLORENCE, come to Madison once or twice a week to entertain hospitalized vets and orphans. Our congratulations are extended to Florence and Joe...Pensioner LEROY PEDERSON reports from Decatur, Michigan, that he is living the life of Reilly. The hunting and fishing seasons in Michigan are the greatest. Leroy's address is 310 John street, RR 1, Box 21C, Decatur, Michigan 49045. Anyone in the area is invited to stop and receive the red carpet treatment...Operator LEN BAEUCHLER spent his annual vacation in Phoenix, Arizona, where his brother, EDWARD, resides. Len reports considerable time was spent on the golf courses and also watching the dog races. He also visited with Pensioner JOHN (Jake) JACOBY who lives in Scottsdale, where Len and Jake took in a couple of days watching the Cubs play ball. Mr. Jacoby sends his regards to his many Chicago friends...Operator HENRY SCHRAMM and his wife, BETTY, spent two weeks in Portland, Oregon, visiting Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM SCHRAMM. Henry and Betty were very impressed with the beauty of the great northwest...Operator and Board Member LESTER BATES has a '67 Cadillac De Ville and will be happy to demonstrate the luxury of the automobile. Lester was elected president of the Southern Illinois Educational club. The club sponsors scholarships for needy children to Southern Illinois university in Carbondale. With Les at the helm we know the coming year will be successful...Operator ED NEWTON served two weeks on the Criminal Court jury and reports it was a very educational experience...Our loss is Limits Depot's gain where JUAN FUENTES began a new career as a clerk V. We hope to see Juan back at North Park soon...A hearty welcome is extended to TERRY BOLE who is working at North Park as a clerk V...ROBERT NEWTON, the son of Operator EDGAR NEWTON, was inducted into the U.S. Army and is receiving his basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri...JAMES ANHALT, the son of Operator FRED ANHALT, is rated the number one student of the Chicago Police Cadet program. Jim, who will be 21 years of age in January, 1970, will then become a patrolman...JOSEPH GUZZARDO, the foster son of Operator IRVING SHER, made the Dean's list at Von Steuben High school where he is a freshman...At this writing, Operator GARY NOONAN is confined at Edgewater hospital. Our prayers are with you, Gary, and we hope to see you back soon...The Division Street reunion and Old Tymers night was held Saturday, February 22, at the Eagles Hall on North Western avenue. The music and dancing was approved by all attending...Operator ELY PESTINE and his wife, RUTH, became grandparents for the second time when their son, HARVEY, and daughter-in-law, GAIL, became parents of a daughter named HEIDI LYNN born on March 1 weighing 7½ pounds at the Skokie Valley hospital. Ely reports that he spent his week's vacation at Gail's home baby sitting...Operator PETER DOLAN and his wife, ROSALEEN, celebrated their 12th anniversary April 30. The Dolans dined at King Arthur's Pub and went to the Schubert theatre...Happy anniversaries are extended to Operator JACK KOVITZ and his wife, SHIRLEY, their 38th, March 15; Operator JAMES PATRICK and his wife, ROSEMARIE, their 18th, April 1; Operator CLARENCE VAN MIDDLESWORTH and his wife, SHAREN, their 4th, April 6; Operator IRVING SHER and his wife, MILDRED, their 34th, April 10; Operator THOMAS WILSON and his wife, BONNIE, their 11th, April 16; Pensioner ALBERT NAGELE and his wife, ANNA, their 33rd, April 12; Operator HAROLD JULITZ and his wife, ANN, their 35th, April 28; Operator P. J. SMITH and his wife, MADELYN, their 16th, April 30,

and Operator ADOLPH JENDRYCZKI and his wife, JEAN, their 31st, April 10. Congratulations are extended to the above couples...Happy birthdays are extended to: Operator LEROY CONKLIN, April 5; TOM KURCZEWSKI, April 5; AGNES ERICKSON, April 7; MATTHEW DOLAN, April 6; MARY KIRKWOOD, April 12; Operator JOHN MEDINA, April 12; HAROLD JULITZ, April 12; ADOLPH JENDRYCSKI, April 28, and Operator LOUIS SCHWARTZ, March 9... Our sympathy and condolences to the families of Pensioner CHARLES GIERSCH, Pensioner EDWARD MILLER, Pensioner LEE BORGSTROM, Clerk JOHN GILMORE, and Operator LEO HARA on the loss of his mother, Mrs. HARA... Operators ROY RIPKA, CARL HANSEN, TOM WILSON, and TOM SMITH are attending supervisors training school and we wish these gentlemen the best of luck in the future... Gentlemen: North Park Depot is one of the few garages that has parking privileges and we are asked to comply with the rules that are posted in the areas. Be sure that you observe the 7 p.m. parking area as buses are parked there.

Repair Department chit chat--North Park Repairman JULIUS MERSCH and his wife, AGNES, vacationed in Miami, Florida. Also on the agenda were stops at Allemonte Springs, St. Petersburg, Dade City, and a fishing trip at Sylcanga, Alabama...Assistant Foreman JOE COUGHLIN and his wife, DOROTHY, vacationed at Fort Lauderdale, Florida...Foreman CHARLES DUNNE is enjoying the oranges and grapefruit that Joe brought home for his friends...Repairman JOHN NEE has resigned and is now working for the Wisconsin Highway Department. John lives at Camp Lake, Wisconsin, and invites his many friends to visit him when they are in this area...Repairman BOB LORENZ had a busy time on his vacation roping steers on his ranch. Bob is accepting orders for sides of beef and will be happy to dress out and package all orders...Repairman PAUL SCHREVES has been seen getting ready for his organ concerts by cleaning and clipping his nails...The sympathy of the garage is extended to Foreman and Mrs. CHARLES DUNNE on the loss of their brother-in-law, Mr. CONVEREY.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

JIM DOHERTY is taking L. C. DELVIN's place as receiver at Kimball and LOUIE LOUBBAKA is the midnight clerk at Kimball. H. DAVIS will be chief clerk at Howard, LARRY GENENDER was made a clerk on April 6...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. ARTHUR H. KRAUSE who celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on March 29...JOHN ZUPKO spent five days in New York City studying the transit system. He enjoyed the trip, but missed his family very much...JIM SWEENY, retired platform man at Howard, visited Howard Street recently and is looking real good, having visited California, Mexico, Texas, and Central America since retiring last year...ELIZABETH DONOHUE would like to thank all of her friends and co-workers who sent cards and flowers and also those who called while she was in the hospital...Condolences to ROSE O'CONNELL on the death of her aunt who raised her and her sister. They accompanied the body to McLeansboro, Illinois, and her son, MICHAEL, went with them. Her aunt was 80 years old. ..HAL STAATS is the southbound platform man at Howard, replacing GEORGE VANDERHAEGHEN who retired...RUTH HUBER would like to thank Mr. Zupko and all her co-workers for helping make her retirement a happy one. Hope she has a long and healthy one, too...EARL STEVENS is out of the hospital and recuperating at home, but won't be back for a few weeks...MARIE TOWNSEND sent TED BRENEN a picture of herself, in fact, a rather snappy one. He showed it to the boys in his outfit and they have chosen her as 517th military intelligence's favorite pin-up girl. Ted has been in Viet Nam for nearly a year now. He sent Marie a lovely Vietnamese doll for Christmas as she has a collection of dolls from different countries. We all wish Ted good luck and will be glad to see him back with us again...T. IRWIN and TOM QUINAN had a seige of flu the first of April, but are back to work now. L. WILLIS is back to work after a lengthy illness. Glad to see you all back. JOHN HUIZENGA is still in Wesley Memorial hospital, 250 E. Superior street, Room 987. A few cards would help to cheer him up...FEDELMA HENRY is missed at Howard street by passengers and co-workers...The party for GEORGE VANDERHAEGHEN and GEORGE BROUCEK was a big success. It was given by fellow workers with EVELYN LANZ in charge. EMMA RENNHACK and FEDELMA HENRY were the hostesses. It was a pleasant surprise to see Dr. IRWIN and his nurse among the crowd. Mr. Vanderhaeghen had 40 years' service and plans to move to Little Rock, Arkansas 72203, P.O. Box 3013. Mr. Broucek had 44 years of service...W. BALK is the a.m. receiver at Howard street...J. C. WILLI is out of the hospital and staying with friends in Morton Grove until he is well enough to go to Florida. JOE KORAL is back to work after a long illness. Glad to see you back, Joe...MARVIN HARRIS bought his son a new Dodge Dart for his graduation...Retired CTA policeman L. L. SMITH stopped in at Berwyn to say hello and was looking good after five years of retirement... GEORGE HENKE is recuperating at home after a week in the hospital. Hope you will soon be back George...L. C. DELVIN retired April 1 and we wish him a long and happy retirement. ANDY GAERTNER is taking his pension on May 1. Hope you have a long, happy and healthy retirement Andy...The North Side "L" Athletic Club was organized last January by a group of conscientious employes at Howard Street who recognized the need for boosting the morale and providing wholesome recreation for employes. The following officers were elected: Operator ARLISS JONES, president, Motorman ARTHUR HUBBARD, secretary, Motorman ALFORD THOMAS, treasurer, and Switchman WALTER LINDBERG, business manager. Through its program of physical fitness, the club will provide various recreational activities, wholesome fun, and promote a sense of teamwork among employes. High on the agenda for spring activities was the formation of a softball team--spring training started April 1 and the team is expected to be in high gear during the summer months. The club receives its financial support from the members. Membership fee is three dollars per year. Plans are being made to incorporate activities and games for female employes who are desirous of joining the club. All members of division 308 are eligible for membership.

- Grace Mounts

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

Sugar and spice and everything nice, that's what little girls are made of. On March 24, SHIRLEY (a former CTA employe) and MARTY LUKES announced the arrival of their first daughter, TERESA JO, who weighed 7 pounds 7 ounces. The proud grandfather is CARL SCHMOOK, an operator out of Archer Station...GEORGE RILEY was all smiles while

telling everyone about his fourth grandchild. On March 16, his daughter, PAT, gave birth to a baby girl named LYNNETTE PATRICE. If the number of grandchildren increases much more, ELSIE SMITH won't be able to count them on her fingers. On the 16th of March her daughter, MARGIE, who lives in Montana, brought a new little girl into the world. BECKIE is Elsie's 8th grandchild, bringing the count to 7 girls and 1 boy. Congratulations to all the new parents and grandparents...I'm happy to say that JOSEPH J. HEMZACEK is back on the job after his recent surgery and is feeling pretty good...Easter was not a time of peace and quiet at the QUETSCHKE home. Bob's son, PHIL, came home from Central Missouri State college for the weekend and brought several of his buddies along with him. They had what you call a full house, but everyone enjoyed themselves and had a very happy Easter...JOHN HUIZENGA, retired line supervisor, has recently undergone tests in the hospital. We hope that he is now feeling fine.

(Traffic Planning) -

FRANK BARKER is a proud father indeed. The reason is because his son, FRAN, finished in third place in the half mile in the west suburban high school track meet. Fran is 16 years old and a sophomore at Oak Park High school. His efforts paid off for him as the points he gained in this meet enabled him to obtain his school letter. His fastest time in the half mile is 2.09.3. If he continues at the rate he is going, I'm sure he will be winning many races. Congratulations and best of luck in the future...A new face to be seen in this department is that of NANCY HAGEMEYER who transferred from the Public Information Department. We wish Nancy the best of luck and are happy to have her with us.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

N. GWELKE vacationed in Nevada for two weeks. He returned home with a real nice tan and stated that he had a good time. However, he didn't say whether he won, lost, or broke even at Las Vegas. There always seems to be someone spending a vacation in that sunny State of Florida. This time the lucky man was D. BOAL...The two newest employes in our department are HERMAN WOODS and EDWARD KENNEDY who transferred from Beverly and Archer Stations, respectively...J. BEUFORD, C. GAGE, and S. KAMINSKI attended first aid classes at the Red Cross and are ready, willing, and able to render their assistance when necessary...Assistant Superintendent O. W. JOHNSON was recently appointed to the CTA Fire and Safety Committee.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

GEORGE CLARKE was a very busy man the week that his two grandchildren, DAVID and ELIZABETH, stayed with him. He took them to both Lincoln Park and Brookfield Zoo and other places of interest. To say the least they all had a very good time...Congratulations to CINDY, DICK SCHNEIDER's daughter, who made her first holy communion on Easter Sunday...Taking advantage of the opportunity, MARLENE DAY and her husband, JOE, took a short trip to Iowa to visit with her family.

- Colette Szczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

With poles and bait in hand, Superintendent of Purchases, Specifications and Stores G. S. GRAYBIEL and Superintendent of Stores J. T. HARTY decided to take a journey to the sunny south (Tennessee) and catch a barrel of fish on Kentucky Lake. Well, seems they found the south not so sunny and returned sooner than planned. You might say the weather wasn't too cooperative, and it just so happens neither were the fish. DAGMAR McNAMARA, Mr. Graybiel's secretary, had put in her order for a flounder before they departed, but that's a fish of another color. You know the Old Angler's saying, "Should have been here yesterday, they were really biting (mosquitoes no doubt)." All kidding aside, sorry to hear things didn't turn out as planned, but then there's next time and I'm sure the sun and fish will be waiting for your return...From our reporter on the hospital scene: ANNE GUSICH of Purchasing had a recent stay in Holy Cross hospital for minor surgery. Anne is home now and we hope to have her back behind her desk soon, all rested and well...TERESA DeLEONARDIS is back and up to her old tricks again after a brief stay at Mother Cabrini hospital. Good having you among us again Teresa. ..From FRED LOITZ, our man in the Stores Department, we learned that his mother, who is 93 years young, is in Resurrection hospital with a broken leg. All of us in the office hope she'll be home soon and walking before you know it...The new receptionist in the Insurance Department will be none other than our LYNNE KLOPP. Lynne has been with us in Stores for about a year and a half as a clerk-typist. What can we do but wish you the best of luck in your new position Lynne. It's no wonder GEORGE LINDEN has had that sad look recently...Our new girl in Stores is MARY PONTRELLI. Mary is not unfamiliar with the CTA since her father, ROCCO, is assigned to the Track Department and her brother, VITO, is an electrician at Skokie Shops. Glad to have you aboard, Mary...From our foreign correspondent across the pond: CAROLYN, the daughter of IRENE PETERSON of the Stores Department, is living in Okinawa with her husband stationed there with the army. Carolyn likes the country except that it's very humid. She reports they also have Japanese hippies--long hair, tight pants, and high heels (these are the boys). Carolyn works for the General Development corporation over there. Thanks for the report...Mrs. SANDRA DALESSANDRO, steno in the Specification Department, spent a couple of days on temporary duty at the mid-year ATA convention which was held at the Palmer House this year. Sandy acted as a receptionist and typist...Well, we have another wedding forthcoming: DARLENE VERHEECK of Purchasing has announced that she'll be losing her independence on July 4th, 1970. The lucky fellow is Mr. BILL JANSEN, a photographer for Color Technique. We figured something was in the making when Darlene came into the office one morning sporting a beautiful shiny diamond ring on her left hand. Congratulations unlimited!

PICTURED HERE with JOHN ZUPKO, superintendent of agents and janitors, North Section, is MARLIN CUNNINGHAM, ticket agent, who retired on March 1 after 28 years of service.

T. MADIGAN and his wife trained to California and finally made it to San Diego despite the storms, mud slides, and washouts. They enjoyed visiting with relatives and spent a little time in Palm Springs trying to find the elusive sunshine. Also took time out to have dinner with ED BRUCKNER, a retired CTA employe living in San Diego. Upon hearing about the spring-like weather in the Midwest, they took the easy way out and flew home...It's a bright red 1969 VW "Bug" JIM ZAZULA will be sporting around soon. Here's hoping he'll have better luck with it than the Buick convertible...Here's wishing JOHN DUNNE of SR 43 a speedy recovery after surgery at St. Francis hospital in Evanston. Hurry back John, it's been a long time.

- Jane Urso & Rod Rusakiewicz

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

JOSEPH CAPPELLETTI celebrated his birthday on March 19 which also is his namesake's day...JOE DeGRAZIA and his wife drove down to Florida...BERNIE KINCANNON and his family drove down to Florida to celebrate Easter with his mother...SHIRLEY LUKES, formerly of the Schedule Department and the wife of MARTIN LUKES, Transportation Department, gave birth to a baby girl, TERESA...ED JURIC joined the grandfathers club when his daughter gave birth to a boy on March 23. Congratulations, Ed...We welcome MARY ANN COX to the department. Mary Ann is taking the place of KAREN COLLINS who resigned to await the stork...EILEEN O'REILLY became the bride of ROBERT TYRRELL at a nuptial mass on Saturday, March 22, at St. Bernadette's church in Evergreen Park...Best wishes are extended to JOHN BENNIS who retired on April 1 after many years with the CTA. He celebrated his 65th birthday on St. Patrick's day with much festivity. John started as a conductor on September 7, 1927, and entered the General Office on April 25, 1947, as a traffic checker. John will take life easy now with his wife, MAME. An open house was held for him on March 28.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

Congratulations to HARRY FREYER, blacksmith-welder, and his wife on the birth of a daughter. DORIS MONIKA arrived March 30, weighing in at 5 pounds 12 ounces...ALVIN KRZEMINSKI, machinist, just returned to work after being off with a sprained ankle which he got while playing basketball. His doctor gave him a prescription which said, "Bowling, golfing, and fishing." That's all the sports for you, so take it easy, Al...JOSEPH FANO, shopman, finally got his new Buick. Happy riding, Joe...Come on fellows, let's get that news in.

- Everett E. England

THIS LOVELY young lady is PEGGY BARRY, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. JOHN BARRY, who was united in marriage to Mr. ANTHONY MARCINIAK on April 26 at St. Basil church. John is a clerk on the rapid transit South Section.

SOUTH SECTION -

Happy springtime to all!..Towerman PHILIP AURIEMMA was grinning from ear to ear when he told us about the birth of his little baby girl named MONIQUE RENEE, born on April 2. The happy Auriemma family also has a little boy...Congratulations to Motorman DAVID MARTIN who was promoted to supervisor March 30...Greetings to transferred conductors from the West and North Sections: SCOTT GIVENS, RAY RHONE, and CHARLES MILLER, and to newly-hired Agent ANNA MAE SCOTT and to re-hired Part-time Agent EUGENE DAWSON...Our hearts were saddened when we heard that Supervisor THOMAS STANTON, who had been on the sick list, passed away. Mr. Stanton was an excellent supervisor and will be missed by all his co-workers and friends. Our condolences are extended to Mrs. Stanton...Received a card from Retired Conductor EDWARD HOPKINS who is enjoying the sandy beaches and sun bathing in Miami Beach, Florida. He sends his regards to everyone...Agent ANN O'CONNOR, who had been on the sick list, is back working now and wishes to thank everyone for the cards and good wishes she received while she was ill...Congratulations to Conductor GERALD and Mrs. GORE who recently announced the birth of their third child, a baby girl named SHARON...The 61st Street men are bursting with pride. In 1968 they beat their previous safest year, 1966, with 10 fewer accidents than 1966 and 19 less than 1967. Free coffee and rolls were served at 61st Street and free coffee was served on the whole rapid transit system because of the overall improvement. Keep up the good work you South Siders...We were shocked to hear of the sudden passing of Agent LEO DILLON recently. Our deepest sympathy goes out to his family. The 47th street station won't seem the same without him...A big welcome back to Conductor ROBERT JACKSON who just returned from a two-year stint in the U.S. Army. Bob said he was sure glad to be back at work...Our retirees sure get around. Received a card from Retired Towerman FRANK DIMMICK from Honolulu. He also toured San Francisco and Las Vegas. He likes Hawaii with its warm temperatures and beautiful girls...Hip-Hip-Hooray--back working and off the sick list are: Towermen ALBERT RAKESTRAW and ROBERT BLACK, Clerk JOE O'CONNOR, Supervisor WILLIAM NASH, and Agents RUTH LOVELL and WILLIAM SHEEHAN...Also telling us about his first born, a baby boy named CORTZ who arrived March 22, is proud poppa, Motorman JOHNNIE ROBINSON...Conductor JOSEPH MOYLAN, who had been on the sick list for many months, passed away. Our sincere condolences to his family... Agent RUTH LOVELL's son, WILLIAM, is home on leave and she is so happy to see him. He was wounded in Viet Nam, but is okay now...Another Florida visitor this early spring was Supervisor DONALD MURPHY and his wife, GEN, who basked in the sun on the Ft. Lauderdale beaches. ..Agent BESSOLA JAMES wishes to thank everyone for all the kindnesses extended to her when her father passed away recently...Congratulations and best wishes to Agent DOR-

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

FRANK BONDI, 64, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 8-24-29, Died 2-23-69
LELAND J. BORGSTROM, 73, Forest Glen,
Emp. 9-18-19, Died 3-2-69
VINCENT J. BREZINSKY, 68, Lawndale,
Emp. 3-10-26, Died 2-21-69
MAX C. BRIEST, 92, West Shops,
Emp. 9-12-21, Died 2-10-69
EDWARD BURK, 51, Forest Glen,
Emp. 8-15-60, Died 4-11-69
FRANK J. CASHMAN, 72, Treasury,
Emp. 5-1-23, Died 2-24-69
WILLIAM J. CONNOLLY, 84, Claim,
Emp. 11-8-23, Died 2-22-69
VINCENZO CORONA, 85, South Division,
Emp. 11-20-20, Died 2-19-69
LOUIS C. COSMEN, 88, Elston,
Emp. 9-25-20, Died 2-19-69
CHARLES J. CULLEN, 75, 77th Street,
Emp. 12-10-19, Died 3-3-69
JOHN H. DeLORME, 61, Beverly,
Emp. 10-31-33, Died 3-14-69
LEO DILLON, 54, South Section,
Emp. 1-7-46, Died 3-11-69
CATHERINE FARRELL, 71, South Section,
Emp. 6-2-42, Died 2-15-69
JOHN A. FISHER, 86, Kedzie,
Emp. 2-7-11, Died 2-14-69
MICHAEL P. FORD, 71, Wilson Shops,
Emp. 4-30-29, Died 3-2-69
FRANK G. GERCHECK, 74, 52nd Street,
Emp. 5-4-25, Died 2-8-69
STEPHEN GIBBONS, 68, West Section,
Emp. 5-6-25, Died 2-21-69
JAMES J. GILLIGAN, 70, North Section,
Emp. 8-11-23, Died 2-24-69
JOHN GILMORE, 50, Limits,
Emp. 1-14-44, Died 3-18-69
EMIL P. GLATZ, 76, South Section,
Emp. 2-11-13, Died 1-26-69
NARCISSUS D. GOEDERT, 84, Devon,
Emp. 4-1-09, Died 2-27-69
MAURICE J. HALLER, 75, 77th Street,
Emp. 5-10-23, Died 3-5-69
JOHN HOLBAY Jr., 61, Skokie,
Emp. 7-5-45, Died 1-17-69
PATRICK HORAN, 63, Forest Glen,
Emp. 12-13-28, Died 2-18-69
JOSEPH HROSDOVEX, 51, Security,
Emp. 5-15-59, Died 3-8-69
ELMER C. JACOBSON, 72, North Section,
Emp. 1-14-24, Died 2-22-69
JOHN KEATING, 75, Lawndale,
Emp. 8-15-23, Died 2-13-69
JOHN KOBES, 76, Lawndale,
Emp. 10-20-15, Died 2-21-69
LOUIS KOKAN, 70, South Division,
Emp. 10-25-23, Died 2-18-69
CHARLES KUCAN, 70, North Division,
Emp. 3-23-29, Died 2-27-69
WILLIAM M. LYTLE, 58, Archer,
Emp. 8-13-36, Died 2-21-69
ALEXANDER McERLEAN, 69, Const. & Maint.,
Emp. 4-10-41, Died 2-1-69
JOHN J. McGARRY, 82, Limits,
Emp. 6-29-07, Died 2-23-69
JERRY E. McGUIRE, 77, Devon,
Emp. 7-24-23, Died 2-4-69
EDWARD MENTH, 60, North Avenue,
Emp. 10-12-36, Died 3-20-69
JOHN J. MORTON, 84, Kedzie,
Emp. 10-19-16, Died 3-2-69
JOSEPH MOYLAN, 58, South Section,
Emp. 12-7-45, Died 3-12-69
MAX MUCHA, 49, Electrical,
Emp. 5-27-46, Died 3-10-69
PAUL NEWMAN, 39, Electrical,
Emp. 1-23-67, Died 3-1-69
CHARLES PETERSON, 86, West Section,
Emp. 11-17-43, Died 2-23-69
NORBERT PIECYK, 41, Research & Planning,
Emp. 12-26-46, Died 4-11-69
MARTIN POLICH, 71, Const. & Maint.,
Emp. 6-21-27, Died 2-27-69
PETER RAUDONIUS, 85, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 8-25-20, Died 2-13-69
FRANK REGAL, 52, Electrical,
Emp. 8-15-49, Died 3-27-69
JOHN SANDIN, 92, 77th Street,
Emp. 1-13-10, Died 2-21-69
DANIEL J. SCANLON, 73, Lawndale,
Emp. 1-3-96, Died 3-3-69
MICHAEL J. SCHOFIELD, 73, 69th Street,
Emp. 11-6-22, Died 2-20-69
HUGH SMITH, 76, West Section,
Emp. 11-20-16, Died 2-7-69
JOSEPH J. STANTON, 79, 77th Street,
Emp. 4-30-14, Died 2-11-69
THOMAS J. STANTON, 63, Rapid Transit District,
Emp. 4-1-25, Died 2-21-69
JAMES A. STRAKA, 70, West Section,
Emp. 8-26-42, Died 2-4-69
JAMES TENUTO, 69, South Shops,
Emp. 12-5-41, Died 2-10-69
WILLIAM B. WELCH, 70, West Section,
Emp. 5-12-22, Died 2-15-69

OTHY (McGee) HARRIS who was married recently...Some of our pensioners passed away recently which causes us much saddness having to report their names to you: Retired Conductor WILLIAM MANNICH, Retired Clerk WILLIAM GALLAGHER, and Retired Agent MARIE PETERSON...Received such an interesting letter from the ELMER STEVENS family (retired yard foreman) from Scarborough, Australia. They are still traveling around like wandering gypsies enjoying the land and sea and have yet to find a place where they care to settle down. They love Australia. They camp, fish, sun bathe, and just enjoy life. The "Aussies" are wonderful to them. They are going further north to their next stop, Great Barrier Reef...Agent MARCELLA BITTERLIN wishes to thank everyone for all the cards and sympathy shown her when her brother passed away recently...Conductor WINSTON MOONEY decided to resign re-

cently, as did Part-time Agents KATHLEEN HARRIS and SANDRA FARMER. Good luck to them...Our champions of passenger commendations for their unusual and entertaining announcements are still rolling along. Conductor VERNON ROBINSON, from Loomis street, now has a total of 32 as of this writing, and Conductor JOHN WRIGHT at 61st Street has 19. Keep it up, men...At this writing Conductors JIMMIE WHITTAKER and GEORGE PEDERSEN, Janitor JOHN CURTIS, and Agent CORRINE DALMAS are on the sick list. Best wishes for a quick recovery and then back to work...Passenger commendations have come in for Conductor ROBERT BRISCOE who held his train for a passenger to board, and to Agent CLEO NEWSOME for being courteous to his passengers. The South Section is getting better all the time.

- Verna Hartney

SOUTH SHOPS -

Congratulations to JOHN JANKUS for the outstanding job he did. The credit union party was a success even though we had some rebellious men. The evening started out with the introduction of a few of the officers, then RALPH KEANE read the minutes from the last meeting. Nominations for new officers were made. It reminded me of other meetings I've attended; before you knew what happened, the election was over. Then the festivities started, the drinks were plentiful, and dancing began. ROY HAGEN was at his best tiptoeing around the dance floor, that goes for John too. One thing about the two of them; no matter what tune CHARLIE STARR played, they both used the same steps. Just kidding fellas. Hope we have a better turnout next year...TOM JONES, Paint Shop, is proud and has a good reason for it—his grandson, LENON CAMPBELL, has won a highly coveted scholarship, the Valerie Percy Scholarship of $10,000 which enables him to enroll in any college of his choosing. Lenon is a senior at Waller High school. Good grades are not his only attributes, he is a dancer, organist, pianist, and clarinetist. It's great to hear of these good things happening to young people.

- Frank Sprovieri

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. FRANK FAWCETT, Kimball, on the celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary. Best wishes for another 25 years of marital bliss... A hearty welcome to A. MOORE, new car serviceman at Howard, and to D. LASIEWICZ, new car serviceman at Linden...Congratulations to F. LEWIS, Wilson, on his promotion to car repairman...Sorry to hear that CLIFF VANDERVEST, Wilson, is off on the sick list. Best wishes for a speedy recovery...A. ODROWSKI, Kimball, has been appointed to the CTA committee of the St. Joseph Branch of the Little Flower Society. Tony will meet with CTA and union officials at St. Clara church for mass and breakfast meetings. The organization raises funds to send deserving boys to study for the priesthood in the Carmelite Order... Enjoying midseason vacations are J. FOLAN, Kimball, and G. KLEIN and L. COLLINS, Wilson. The last of the big time spenders, J. DANIELS, Congress, spent his vacation in Las Vegas. John says the machines are crooked and the girls are better to look at...Best of luck to J. MADIGAN who resigned from Congress to try his hand in the carpentry business...Best wishes for speedy recoveries are sent to the wife of J. CANNELLA, the wife of L. RICCIARDI, and the wife of N. PARRILLO, Congress. Each little lady underwent surgery and is presently recuperating. Your husbands hope that each of you hurry and get well, they are getting dishpan hands...Welcome to J. HOBBS who transferred to Forest Park from Congress...Glad to hear that F. RIO, Congress, is out of the hospital...N. SUERO, Congress, is training to become a Red Cross first aid instructor. The only drawback to his training is Nick can't find anyone willing to cooperate in mouth-to-mouth resuscitation practice...Congratulations to L. MONAHAN, Congress, on the purchase of his new home in Park Ridge. The boys want to know when the open house will be held.

- Ray Brzeczek

69TH STREET -

Mrs. YOUNG, do you make MICKEY's breakfast for him? GUS MELANDER's wife informed me that she gets up in the wee hours of the morning, like FRED STAWINSKI's wife does, and makes his breakfast. She believes every husband deserves this treatment. Three cheers, a new dress, and a big box of candy to all you good wives, and I hope my wife reads this. You other girls, stand up and be counted...S. J. (Sam) VALLONI and his wife celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on April 7. I know Sam took you out for dinner, Mrs. Valloni, so congratulations and many happy returns...June 29 will be quite a day for the ENSWORTHS. They will be married 40 years then. It is the same date his mother-in-law was married, and his two sons were married on the last Saturday in June. This adds up to a big blowout, fella, and the best of everything to all of you from all of us at 69th Street. The Ensworths also have nine grandchildren, seven boys and two girls...Running a close second are ANDY and ALICE KOHLSTEDT, when a 7 pound 8 ounce blue eyed blonde baby girl, VICTORIA JEAN, was born on February 27 to their son, ANDY, and his wife, JEAN. This evened him up with their other son, BOB, with two girls and a boy...JOE PLANT will never match this the way he does other things. On March 10 at 9 p.m. he married VERA SCOTT and checked for his run the next morning at 5:15 a.m. Besides that, he was married in Michigan City and now commutes...Supervisor STONE at the Union Station is the proud father of a 8 pound 4 ounce baby boy born in March...From the 50th state, Hawaii, ELSIE and ED TIERNEY send greetings. They toured most of the islands and had a grand time...GEORGE SANDERS was up at Indian Head Mountain skiing in February. Although he sprained a thumb and had a sore seat, he claims to have wiped out all 20 people in his group...When ARTHUR JOE accused "Preacher" SMITTY of running ahead of time, he replied, "On my word of honor, sir." Joe said that didn't mean anything to him...Home on a two-day leave from the U.S. Navy during March was GEORGE MEYER, the son of ED MEYER. He will be serving for eight months on the U.S.S. Kennedy, an aircraft carrier, touring the Mediterranean following the Russian fleet around...Former Operator W. T. CHIBE is buying a new ambulance. For fast cut-rate service, call Thompson, 776-1000...I had Pensioner JACK HEAVEY on my bus one day and he looks good and says hello to everyone. He retired in February, 1963... Who, but "Curly" HORNING, would trade in a new Chrysler for a Mercedes?..J. P. JAROLEK is now working the terminals as a janitor. A. G. NORRIS is now at South Shops as a janitor. Did I overlook something, or what is this janitor bit?..We would like to extend our deepest and sincere sym-

pathy to the families of J. DE LORME and GEORGE WAGNER who passed away recently...With vacations in full swing, how about you fellows who can afford one, dropping me a card or line or two. To all you pensioners, how about dropping a line, too...Please don't anyone take offense with my news lines as they are only meant to be in good humor. As you all know, news is news, and old Hedda just has to report it.

JIMMY AHERN of the repair department reports that MIKE MORAN, BILL SIEJA, and FRANK ANDREK are on the sick list. We wish them a speedy recovery...We offer our condolences to Assistant Foreman BILL LAMBERT and his family on the death of his mother recently. We were sorry to hear that Pensioner MIKE DUGAN passed away in Ireland...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. MARTY GRIFFIN and Mr. and Mrs. JIMMY LEE on their wedding anniversaries. They didn't say how many years it was but we wish them many more in the future...CHARLIE WILLIAMS went on a fishing trip. I hope he remembers that some of us like fish and doesn't let the big ones get away... All you fellows in the shop, please give my ace reporter, Jimmy, the news or drop me a line and I'll get it in print... The biggest news of all times, believe it or not, is that the old bachelor, Receiver WILLIAM MURPHY, was married on April 19. He is certainly a lucky man, and the best of luck to Bill and his bride. All you fellows 47 and over, may you get lucky, too.

- Arthur P. Buesing

WEST SECTION -

March came in like a lamb, but she really left like the old fashion lion that she is known to be...There was a little roaring in M. BLOUNT's household when his wife, DOROTHY, gave birth to a cute little baby girl. It's funny to hear the young parents now saying they know the meaning of the generation gap. As in the case of M. TRICE, whose 7 month old daughter, ANGELA, with her wits at such a young age, never seems to stop amazing him...Motorman B. DAVIS surprised his charming wife, LAURA, with a birthday party. As they entered the room filled with relatives and friends she broke out in tears and used all the tissues in the house to wipe away the tears of joy. Another popular employe of the company was Ticket Agent PAT WILFORD who celebrated her birthday at the Skyway lounge. Ticket agents, porters, motormen and other personnel from all over the system came by to make it a very happy occasion, one that she will long remember. Many happy returns to both of these ladies...On the same night, Foot Collector J. WILSON collected himself a bride. Also that night, Conductor E. HAYS conducted the festive reception held for him and his new bride that he had married earlier. The best of luck to both couples, and may all your troubles be small ones...Our sick list consists of: C. J. JONES, J. HOOD who is out of the hospital and is now home recuperating, and R. CRAWFORD who is in the hospital after a freak car accident which left him with minor injuries. Bob is cheerful because better days are coming and he will return to work soon...Some of us will wear clothes bought for the Easter holiday, but Conductors T. KING and W. GREGORY will walk sharp in their conductor's uniforms...Best wishes to Conductor J. McPHEE on his new job with the company...Motormen J. McCURTIS is back to work after being off with an arm injury...Sorry to miss JOHN WINIEKE's name with the men that are on the sick list. John had an eye operation and he is coming along just fine...Janitor ISAAC CHRISTMAS wishes to thank everyone for the beautiful gift and his retirement party. He was really touched by all their kindness. As I said before, Christmas was and always will be a fine person to have known...Say, ART JAHNS was up from Florida for the Easter season and looked like a million with his tan and healthy look. He told us of seeing DAVE ARNOLD and Brother CARD. I sure wish I was down there getting myself a tan. My partner, PAYNE, says he has enough tan, so he doesn't want to go.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

77TH STREET -

To SONJA and REMEL JONES, a happy birthday. They are the teenage daughters of Operator ULYSSES JONES. Don't be alarmed, they aren't twins, they're a year apart, March 5 and March 14. Sonja will be graduating from Thomas J. Keller Jr. High school in June. His oldest daughter, REMEL, will be a proud graduate of Dwight D. Eisenhower High school, in May. She will also be going on an educational trip in April to Washington, D.C., and New York city. Everyone is happy about the trip except her father—he has to pick up the tab...Operator DICK LANE, one of the South Side's top outdoorsmen, is now breeding Egyptian quail and other game birds...Operator CECIL EVANS and his wife, MARY, became the proud parents of little ODETTA EVANS on March 20...Operator HENRY MARTIN left a note to say happy anniversary to his wife, MARILYNN, March 27...Our condolences to Operator ERNEST E. BROWN who lost his father on March 5...The Cubs are off and running, see you at the old ball park.

- Amos Foster & Julius Brazil

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News Briefs

New Twist to Calling Stations Wins Praise for Two Conductors

LIKE THE competiveness between two pitchers when there's a no-hitter going, two South Section conductors appear to be vying with each other for the lead in passenger commendations. The two men, Vernon Robinson (right) and John Wright Jr. (left), have won the favor of passengers because of their humorous and informative announcements over train public address systems. At last count, Robinson had 32 commendations and Wright had 23. But besides that, both men have done such a good public relations job that they have been the subject of articles in Chicago daily newspapers.

CTA Participates in City Hall Display

DURING MAY, which is Senior Citizen month in Chicago, CTA and other public agencies participated in an exhibition at City Hall. Representing CTA were J. A. Burgeson (pictured here) and R. T. Warnstedt of the Public Information Department, who distributed printed matter relating to the senior citizens fare which recently took effect. CTA's display was prepared by the Training & Accident Prevention Department.

CTA Retiree Named to Chicago Hall of Fame

AMONG THE 100 senior citizens inducted into the Chicago Hall of Fame and honored by Mayor Richard J. Daley was a CTA pensioner. Each of those so honored was nominated by a civic or community organization for contributions made to the community after reaching the age of 62. Robert E. Link, a retired CTA design draftsman, was nominated by the Senior Citizen club of Leaning Tower YMCA for his work in organizing a group to provide glasses for the needy. Congratulations!

Better Late Than Never

THIS PICTURE was received with a thank you to the crew that was kind enough to pose with their streetcar at Harrison & Oakley. It was taken in July, 1938, and although the photographer promised to send the Kedzie Station trainmen a photograph, he has long since lost track of their names and felt he could make it up to them by submitting it to Transit News. The car was numbered "Cook County #1", and it was the only car of its type. It operated between 1918 and 1939 and was classified as a hospital car. The only passengers who rode on its weekly trip were inmates and their attendants who boarded at Cook County hospital and State hospitals at Dunning, Kankakee, and Elgin.

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ENGLEWOOD EXTENSION OPENED

THE ENGLEWOOD rapid transit extension and the new Ashland station were placed in service Tuesday, May 6, the day after the facility was officially opened by Mayor Richard J. Daley and Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent.

The new Englewood transit terminal at Ashland avenue near 63rd street ushers in a new era of passenger convenience for residents of the southwest communities of Chicago. The Ashland station serves the Englewood branch of the North-South rapid transit route. Five CTA bus routes, one an entirely new line, operate to the doors of the station. Rapid transit travel time between the Ashland station and the Loop is 22 minutes.

Designed to be esthetically pleasing and realistically functional, the transit terminal provides direct and convenient passenger interchange between bus and rapid transit. A Park 'N' Ride lot for 250 autos is incorporated in the terminal plan.

The Ashland station replaced the obsolete Loomis station of the Englewood rapid transit branch, one-quarter mile to the east. Built by the City of Chicago, the cost of the $6 million project was shared by the City of Chicago with two-thirds matching funds from the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Five CTA bus routes were revised to directly serve the facility. Using the canopied bus terminal adjacent to the station building are the 49A South Western, 63 63rd street (westbound only), and 110 Marquette bus routes. Eastbound 63 63rd street buses stop in 63rd street at Ashland avenue. Both 9 Ashland and 45 Ashland-Downtown buses stop at the station in Ashland avenue.

Bus routings of three lines serving the Loomis station were simplified and shortened to yield time savings to passengers and an all-new service was added for the convenience of rush hour riders--the extended 49A South Western route. Descriptions of all five routes serving the new Ashland station are as follows:

9 Ashland—service via Ashland to and from 95th street terminal, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Special weekday service in rush periods is provided to and from 103rd street via Ashland, Beverly, and Vincennes.

CEREMONIES DEDICATING the new Ashland station took place on Monday, May 5, with Mayor Richard J. Daley and Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent officiating. In the top picture the modern facility is being opened with a special key by (from left) Mayor Daley, Alderman Paul M. Sheridan, Mr. DeMent, and Milton Pikarsky, City of Chicago commissioner of public works, as the group in attendance looks on. In the bottom picture, the same dignitaries have boarded a rapid transit train for the trip downtown and are being greeted by Motorman Ronald Tuck.

45 Ashland-Downtown—revised operation via Ashland replaced service to Loomis station. Operates Monday through Friday in rush periods only.

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AERIAL VIEW looking east shows Englewood Extension facilities: (from foreground to background) tail track extending to Hermitage, Ashland station platform, transportation office building, bus terminal, parking lot, and expanded car storage yard.

OUR COVER shows the terminal complex in greater detail.

49A South Western—new service extending weekday rush hour buses north of the present 79th street terminal via Western and 63rd to new Ashland station. In the morning, buses direct to Englewood "L" leave 119th-Western at 6:01 a.m. and every 7 to 8 minutes from 6:13 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. In the afternoon, buses destined for 119th street leave the new Ashland station at 7- to 8-minute intervals from 4:10 p.m. to 6:46 p.m. Regular 49A South Western service between 79th and 119th continues to be provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

63 63rd street—eastbound service via 63rd as before; revised westbound operation direct to new Ashland station and continuing on 63rd. Operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Limited stop service is provided in weekday rush periods.

110 Marquette—revised operation via Marquette and Ashland to new Ashland station replaced service to Loomis station. Operates Monday through Saturday, 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Special service to and from Pulaski-71st is provided in weekday rush periods.

The Ashland station passenger platform, 22 feet wide and 520 feet long, is covered with a canopy extending over the cars to protect passengers from rain, snow, and the sun's glare. Translucent skylight panels and fluorescent lighting provide brightness at all hours throughout the day and night.

Two escalators provide effortless passage between ground level and the train platform. A passenger control building, where fares are paid, is glass-walled with a multi-faceted roof-canopy extending out to protect and shade in all directions.

A secondary exit stairway from the platform to street is provided on the west side of Ashland avenue for persons boarding southbound Ashland buses.

The modern elevated structure consists of diamond-like reinforced concrete columns, spaced on centers of about 70 feet, supporting the horizontal smooth steel plate girders. A dual-purpose railing-high baffle panel extends along the outside of each track throughout the length of the new structure. The panel conceals the view of the chassis of rapid transit trains from the street and is coated on the train side with sound-absorbent material to alleviate noise. Tracks are mounted on rubber pads, cushioning them from the supporting structure.

Facilities for switching trains are of the most modern type available, with all-electric operating mechanisms. Manual switch control is from a tower at the east end of the office building. When in full operation, the tower will be manned in rush hours only and operated automatically in non-rush hours.

The upper-level of the building near the east end of the Ashland platform is the new transportation office for employes formerly assigned to the 63rd-Loomis terminal. More than 100 employes, including motormen, conductors, agents, janitors, and others needed for operation of the rapid transit route, report to work at the terminal.

Teens Take City Offices During Youth Week

TEENAGERS TOOK over the city government in Chicago on Tuesday, May 13, but their day of reign was a peaceful one.

In all, 34 youngsters stepped into the shoes of city officials for one day during Chicago Youth Week. Among them were Michael R. Hannigan, the son of a CTA employe, who served as the teen mayor and Susan Robin, who was CTA's general manager.

Pictured while being sworn in as mayor by Chief Judge John S. Boyle is 16 year old Michael Hannigan, an honor student at Gordon Technical High school. Michael is the son of Richard Hannigan, South Shops painter.

Sitting at the desk of CTA General Manager T. B. O'Connor is a pretty 14 year old, Susan Robin, a Roosevelt High school student. Mr. O'Connor briefly described CTA's operations before Robin toured the General Offices and Operations Control Center in the Merchandise Mart.

New Supervisory Assignments Affect Three Departments

CHANGES TO supervisory personnel in three CTA departments were announced in bulletins which became effective during May. The departments affected include Engineering, Shops & Equipment, and Transportation.

The reorganization of the Engineering Department effective May 1 resulted in the assignment of former Construction and Maintenance Department personnel to the Track and Structures Division and Buildings and Construction Division. In appointments made by E. E. Olmstead, superintendent of engineering, and approved by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser, T. L. Wolgemuth was appointed superintendent of track and structures, G. Millonas was appointed superintendent of buildings and construction, W. F. Gaedtke was named superintendent of structures, P. J. Minogue became administrative engineer, and P. E. Swanson was named track design engineer.

With the consolidation and reorganization of the South Shops office and Industrial Engineering Division the following Shops & Equipment Department appointments became effective May 23: J. A. Rosendhal, superintendent of material control and clerical procedures; E. W. Larsen, general supervisor; R. J. Blau, supervisor of material handlers; J. C. Cacciato, supervisor of production control; E. J. Evans, supervisor of office statistics; J. G. Jankus, supervisor of material control, and R. L. Kurtz, supervisor of garage clerks.

In a bulletin signed by J. W. Dain, superintendent of garages, and approved by J. J. Repplinger, superintendent of surface system shops & garages, and L. G. Anderson, superintendent of shops & equipment, the following foreman assignments became effective May 1. J. F. Ward became day foreman of the Campaign Area, F. J. Grimaldi was named night foreman of Kedzie Garage, A. M. Kariolich became day assistant foreman of North Park Garage, and M. M. Smith was appointed p.m. foreman at 52nd street garage.

Transportation department personnel named to new posts at rapid transit system stations effective May 1 include the appointments of M. J. O'Connor as 61st Street station superintendent, J. J. Tvrdik as a.m. assistant station superintendent at Ashland, S. C. Christ as p.m. assistant station superintendent of the South Section, and J. H. Walsh as No. 1 relief station superintendent of the North-South route. The appointments were made by D. M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation, and approved by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.

47 Complete Training Programs

HAVING COMPLETED training programs in their respective departments, certificates were presented to graduates of the Transportation Department surface system supervisor's class and the Shops and Equipment Department instructor's course.

The 39-man supervisor's class is pictured above. Graduates have been assigned to the pool and are available to fill in as needed when vacancies for supervisors occur.

Members of the class, listed in alphatical order, are: C. E. Adams, F. C. Bailey, J. Byrd, L. Cahill, E. J. Carey, E. C. Carter, W. E. Caston, I. Clark, S. Daigle, M. J. Dermody, W. S. Edwards, R. Grod, C. W. Hansen, F. Higgins, C. W. Nelley, A. W. Howard, J. Iacono, R. C. Jasinski, S. Kalinowski, C.K. Larkin, F. M. Limmel, F. W. Lorenz, V. N. Lovelady, M. Lukes, C. Lusk, L. A. Majors, G. A. Martens Jr., R. W. Mohler Jr., D. Noncek, J. Plant, R. C. Ripka Jr., D. Simpson, G. Smith, M. Smith, A. Tennelle, E. Thomatis, J. R. Vitula, R. A. Williams, and T. Wilson. With the graduates in the picture are J. J. Hemzacek (seated at center), superintendent of surface operations, R. Dagenais (far left), assistant superintendent of surface operations, and T. M. Stiglic (far right), superintendent of instruction.

Graduates of the S&E instructor's course are pictured below with Shops Department supervisory personnel. They are, from left: first row—L. G. Anderson, superintendent of shops and equipment, M. Warchol, J. LaBellarte, L. Monaghan, J. Hobbs, L. Davenport, P. Lorimer, senior foreman of rapid transit terminals, and H. Doering, assistant to superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals. Second row—J. J. Repplinger, superintendent of surface shops and garages, A. Fiorito, senior surface instructor, D. Nicosia, H. Young, G. Barnes, J. Morelli, terminal instructor, and R. Dobbertin and A. Zubor, garage instructors. The eight trainees qualified for the instructor's pool and will be assigned as needed.

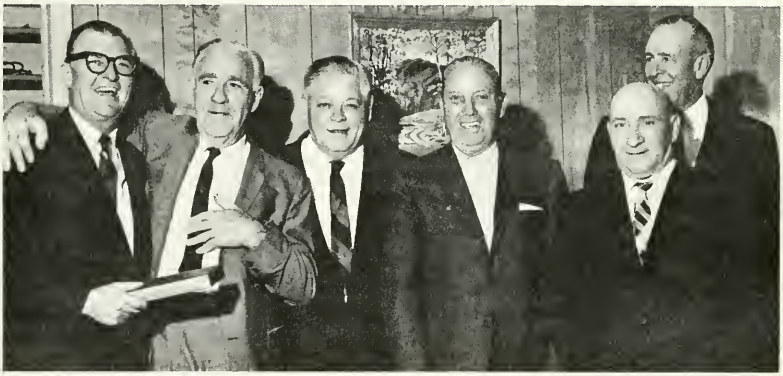
Logan, Keeler Win 1st Quarter ISC Awards

STEPPING INTO the spotlight as Interstation Safety Contest award winners for the first quarter of 1969 were two Transportation Department stations which had attained the first place position before--Logan Square and Keeler.

Logan Square, which won the first quarter competition on the rapid transit system with a perfect score of 75.00, won its seventh ISC award. Accepting the quarterly plaque from G. A. Riley, superintendent of operating stations, in the picture at the left is E. J. Heatter, Logan Square superintendent.

Winning the surface system competition with a 55.46 score was Keeler station, the winner of five ISC plaques. In the picture at the right, Mr. Riley is presenting the plaque to S. J. Bitel, Keeler station superintendent.

CORNED BEEF and cabbage topped the menu this year just as it has done in the 22 previous years. And as always, active and pensioned Electrical Department employes turned out in force to honor the year's retirees at their annual dinner. The six new pensioners include, from left, Len Francisco, Gerald Griffin, Frank Jones, Mike Battista, Joseph Connelly, and Richard Dorgan.



Reservations Still Available for 22-Day Spain/Portugal Holiday

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, is the day when a vacation-bound group of CTAers will board a trans-Atlantic flight destined for Lisbon, Portugal, leaving their cares behind. Upon landing, they will begin a 22-day tour through three countries--Portugal, Spain, and Morocco.

CTA employes (active or retired) are afforded a special rate by traveling in a group. The total trip costs (about $765, depending on size of group) include air transportation, reserved hotel accommodations, surface transportation by deluxe motorcoach, and all sightseeing, excursion, and admission fees.

As time for making reservations is growing short, employes should send in their deposit as soon as possible. Complete information may be obtained by writing Miss Jane Mitchell, Chicago Transit Authority, Room 734, Merchandise Mart, Chicago, Illinois 60654.

QUESTION:

What is the most humorous incident you can recall from your early days in transit?

INQUIRING REPORTER: Bill Miedema

LOCATION: North Avenue Station

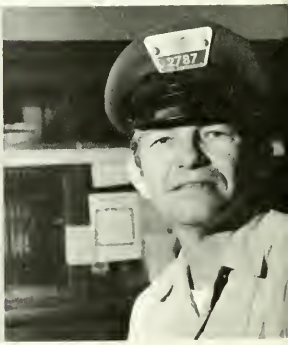
WADE SIMMONS, operator (with Reporter Bill Miedema): "On the second day that I was on the street by myself, I was rushing picking up a group of people at a corner. A lady gave me a dollar bill--I punched it and gave it back."

LOUIS FORD, operator: "In 1949 I was working as a conductor when a man got on with a bag of live chickens at Roosevelt & Halsted. Well, all of a sudden the bag came open and the chickens were flying all over the streetcar. It was a hysterical sight as the passengers tried to catch them."

THOMAS PHILPOTT, operator: "In my early days I waited at a relief point to make a relief when I was supposed to pull out. I found out in a hurry when the run was overdue."

W. H. FREDERICKSEN, operator: "I was working the Milwaukee avenue cars years ago when we stopped to take the switch at Milwaukee & Desplaines. I held the hand switch and the car went right on without me as the motorman forgot to stop. Fifteen minutes later he came back and said, 'What happened'."

EDWIN AGUAYO, operator: "I remember most the time when I ran out of running time on Austin avenue because I didn't make a left turn. I realized too late that I was on the wrong street."



Three CTA Retirees Honored

THREE MEN, all of whom were in supervisory capacities, were among employes whose retirements became effective May 1. They are Richard W. Meisner, Raymond A. Hynes, and Russell J. Shanklin.

All three are pictured above at the time of their retirements receiving congratulations and bestwishes from their supervisors. In the picture at left, Mr. Meisner is shown with Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn. In the center picture, Mr. Shanklin is shown with Operating Manager C. E. Keiser. In the picture at the right, Mr. Hynes is with Manager of Finance P. J. Meinardi.

Mr. Meisner, who retired as South Section station superintendent on the rapid transit system, started with the former CRT as an extra guard in March, 1926. He left the service of that company in 1932, but returned in August, 1936, working first as a station watchman and subsequently as a trainman, towerman, and yard foreman. He became a supervisor in 1951 and assistant station superintendent in 1960. Mr. Meisner was appointed South Section superintendent in December, 1963, the position which he held until the time of his retirement.

A registered professional engineer and graduate of Purdue university, Mr. Shanklin joined the Chicago Surface Lines as assistant engineer of the Track Department in October, 1937. He subsequently served as general foreman and division superintendent of that department until 1948 when he became assistant superintendent of buildings. Mr. Shanklin was appointed superintendent of buildings in 1962 and superintendent of construction and maintenance in September, 1966, the post which he held until his retirement.

Mr. Hynes started with the CSL in September, 1946, as a clerk in the Public Information Department and served in various capacities until his appointment as supervisor of Office Services in January, 1952, the position which he held at the time of his retirement.

GUESTS OF honor at the annual Engineering Department retirement dinner on Thursday, May 8, were members of that department who retired during the year ending May 1, 1969. Pictured here with the year's retirees is Superintendent of Engineering E. E. Olmstead. The group includes, from left: G. Martini (Track), A. Vittario (Building), R. Gamperl (Building), A. Franciscovich (Track), J. S. Ruzich (Track), J. D. Retzler (Building), Mary Isbrandt (General Office), Mr. Olmstead, C. G. Manthey (Building & Structures), R. J. Shanklin (Construction & Maintenance), J. J. Boccio (Track), J. Guarin (Building & Structures), and F. Mandarino (Track).

THE IMPORTANCE OF GOOD LEGS AND FEET TO GOOD HEALTH

RECENTLY THERE have been several articles printed in Transit News about the relationship of excercise to good health. Unquestionably, exercise regulated to patients' tolerance is beneficial.

Not long ago, articles on our hands and jogging appeared in this column. Judging by the comments, both were of interest to many of our readers. Therefore, it was thought that an article on the legs and feet would be equally worthwhile.

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin, CTA Medical Consultant

Many years ago an eminent physician stated that good circulation in the extremities was an indication of good circulation in the brain. In other words, having a good understanding is a prerequisite to good health.

Just a word about the anatomy of the lower extremities might improve our knowledge of this subject. The hip bones, which form the pelvis, meet in front at the pubis. Each articulates with the upper part of the sacrum (lower end of spine) behind. The femur is the bone of the thigh; it articulates with the hip bone above and with the tibia below. The tibia and fibula are the bones of leg between the knee and ankle and they articulate with the bones of the foot. In addition to the bony structures of the legs, there are muscles and ligaments holding the bones together. There are also arteries and veins to supply the circulation and various nerves which help to coordinate movement.

The main function of the lower extremities is to maintain correct posture and locomotion of the body. This part of the anatomy is responsible for transmission of our body weight to the lower extremities.

Locomotion is an extraordinarily complex function. Walking is a laboriously learned, almost completely automatic activity. This activity is dependent upon reflex patterns resulting from stimulation of a variety of tactile, ligaments, joint and muscle-tendon nerve endings. Disturbances of gait are important signs noted in many central nervous system disorders. The pattern of walking may be altered by many factors. These include habit or style (pigeon toed and toe-out), flat feet (weak arches), poor posture, overweight, footwear (high heels), and individual differences in coordination.

From the above, the importance of good legs and feet is very apparent. They enable people in all walks of life to work and play depending on their occupation. They make it possible for businessmen to carry on business and ball players to carry on their sports and thereby provide a living for their families.

Some medical authorities believe that the creeping an infant does is essential to the normal development of the brain. It creates proper coordination between the brain and the body and muscular systems. Moreover, these men have found that a child who does not have adequate creeping activity may develop the same symptoms as a child with actual brain damage, including limited abilities to read, write, and walk. If this is true, all of us should keep creeping or carry out some form of exercise to maintain the muscle strength and good circulation of our legs.

Some of the more common disorders of the lower extremities are: hardening of the arteries, diabetes, arthritis, neuritis, sciatica, varicose veins, fractures, and sprains or bruises of the hip, thigh, lower leg or foot.

Some of the disabling disorders of the feet are corns, calluses, bunions, gout, weak arches (flat feet), and various circulatory diseases. Space limitations prevent the detailed discussion of this subject.

Because good legs are so vital to good health and long life, it behooves all of us to take good care of our legs.

A few fundamental rules are: Protect the lower extremities by keeping them warm, dry, and clean. Be alert to avoid accidents which may result in severe sprains, fractures, or even amputation. Wear proper shoes to avoid friction, sores, or tumors. Adopt the right exercise program for yourself according to age and physical tolerance. This activity might be creeping, walking, bicycling, or jogging. If you are unable to do this see your personal physician.

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (Payroll) -

We extend our deepest sympathy to ROSEMARY KENNY whose mother, Mrs. HELEN EME, passed away April 11 after a long illness...Sympathy is also extended to ANN ANGST, Voucher, on the passing of her sister, Mrs. ROSE PAULI...We welcome YVONNE ZAJAC and ROBBIE JONES into the Payroll Department...Two recent visitors to the Island of Jamaica in the West Indies were JOANNE PARIS, Payroll, and RUTH HAVLIK, General. Joanne went to Jamaica by way of Miami and the cruise ship Starward, and Ruth via air by way of New Orleans. Both girls toured the island by car and agreed it is a lovely place and worth visiting again.

- Clara Lawrence

BEVERLY -

This month we salute and tip our hats to Clerk JOHN KIRBY and all the operators who helped in the CYO campaign. We send thousands of kids to summer camp who otherwise would roam the streets and probably get into trouble. Two of the hardest workers for the CYO are Operators DEL CARSON, Grand Knight of Queen of Martyrs, and ART PINELLI...Operator J. (5005) JONES won the "beauty" contest in the spring uniform inspection. He even had a new cap with a wire in it which made him look "super kool."..We express our sympathy to the following families: Pensioner ELMER BALLOK in the loss of his wife, ART KRICKAUS whose wife who also passed away, and LEROY LILLY whose father-in-law died. During the last month we also lost two fine operators whom we worked with everyday. It was a shock to hear of the sudden death of Operators FRANK RHOMBERG and JOSEPH BALNIS. We will miss Frank and Joe, and I am sure their passing will awaken and remind us of the short visit we have on earth. This is an appeal from your scribe, please turn out for the wakes of our departed brothers. When you see a death notice at the depot, let's turn out in a group of at least 50 men and show our respect. Thanks, fellows...Operator GEORGE (Civil Defense) SCHELTZE is beaming as he is a grandpa for the fourth time...Supervisor FRANK McGLYNN was a little disturbed when relief Supervisor MARTIN turned up with a bandage on his pencil finger. Calm down, Frank, for we all love your sweet hello...Thanks to BILL WINTERS of the General Office for the name plates he made up for the La Rabida Council, Knights of Columbus...We received a wonderful letter of thanks from Tinley Park State hospital. We pass the thanks on to Operators CHARLIE DAVIS, JOHN METKE, BEN THOMAS, Pensioner MICHAEL LAVIN, and to Operator IRV WEILER's wife, CINDY. We are sure it will make you feel good inside to know you helped those who can't help themselves. God bless all of you.

- Tom Daniels

CLAIM -

Congratulations to ROBERT and MARY McVEA, who made JIM McVEA a happy grandpa when little JENNIFER ELIZABETH was born on April 7. RICHARD and LEWANA REDDING have a new grandson, THOMAS RICHARD, who arrived April 1...We were recently visited by four of our pensioners, HERMAN WIRTH, ARNOLD GUSTAFSON, FLORENCE GRAY, and HARRY LAWRENCE. They all looked very good and it seems their retirement hasn't been too hard for them to take...ELEANOR GARRO and her niece, ANDREA BERG, recently returned from their vacation. They flew to Williamsburg, Virignia, and from there to Washington, D.C., where they visited monuments, President Kennedy's grave, and the tomb of the unknown soldier. While at the tomb of the unknown soldier, a class from New Trier High school placed a wreath on the tomb. Eleanor was telling us Andrea never cared too much for elevators and we wondered how she liked the jets. We understand she loves to fly and hopes to fly wherever she goes...Congratulations to SAM VAUGHAN, locator, who was formerly vice president and was elected president of his community organization, the Maple Park Homeowners association.

- Peggy Hallahan & Shari Pupa

CONGRESS (Agents) -

Receiver J. MIDDLETON and his wife, BARBARA, became the proud and happy parents of a baby boy, STEPHAN DAVID, on April 22. Their four other boys, ANTHONY, 9½, MICHAEL, 7½, DWIGHT, 6, and CAMERON, 2, were delighted to hear they had a new brother...Supervisor ARTHUR SIMS and his wife are getting ready for that vacation in Nova Scotia in the early part of June. Art plans to do some fishing...PATRICK DOYLE went to Pennsylvania to visit a lifelong girl friend...JAMES NASTI is in McNeal hospital in Berwyn recovering from a heart attack and is doing very well...Clerk ADAMS, Desplaines, is recovering from a heart attack. He's doing very well and we hope to see him soon...Agent CHARLES SNIDER is still in the hospital as a result of a mishap. The nurses are starting to lose their glamour, which is a sure sign he's getting better...In the early part of June, HELEN SHANNON will be a lady of leisure motoring in and around Ireland and England...We were sorry to hear that Pensioner JOHN HART passed away. John and his wife were dedicated to making the children out at Mooseheart happy...Agent VALERIE THOMAS and her husband, Operator BENJAMIN THOMAS of Beverly Depot, are proud of their son, BENJAMIN, who will graduate from the Bond school in June. The young man's ambition is to become an electronics technician...Agent JOSEPH VANEK is recovering in the Oak Park hospital from an appendectomy. He'll have a lot of new jokes to tell when he gets out... Desplaines Avenue Clerk THOMAS GUNN remained in town during his vacation but he and the family went to a lot of places.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL (General Office) -

GEORGE CHRISTENSEN's son, EDWARD, returned home from Viet Nam on April 20 and was surprised with an early discharge of five months. He was married on May 10 to Miss SHARON SCHMITT of Elkhorn, Wisconsin. Best wishes for the future to you both...BERNADETTE KIZIOR spent a week in Key Biscayne, Florida. She thoroughly en-

joyed herself. She and her sister, JEAN, bicycled around President Nixon's home but the area was restricted... MARIE HAVLIK spent a couple of days in New Orleans and then went on to Jamaica where her entire family was meeting...Mr. KUTZ and his son drove to Hot Springs, Arkansas. They golfed, swam, and relaxed. Mr. Kutz's son will be graduating in June from De Kalb and take a job in Seattle, Washington, as an electronics engineer.

- Donna Kaminski

(Blue Island) -

Well, the 23rd annual corned beef cabbage dinner was a huge success, thanks to the dinner committee consisting of H. COYNE, R. DORGAN, C. MALOTTKE, K. MIKOTA, R. FERGUSON, H. ANDERSON, R. BIENIASZ, S. CHARLETON, W. BECKMAN, B. JAUMAN, R. TAUSCH, L. ANASENES, S. DOBOSIEWICZ, and the late WILLIAM KOPKE who was a work horse for the dinner. The honored guests present were: LEN FRANCISCO, JOSEPH NAGRODSKI, GERALD GRIFFIN, FRANK JONES, MIKE BATTISTO, SYLVESTER DANECKE, and JOSEPH CONNELLY. Other retired guests of the Electrical Department present were: G. NELSON, STEPHEN GECAN, D. GRIFFIN, J. MICHNICK, E. PARDELL, N. LARSON, CLYDE PETERSON, C. J. BUCK, L. RASMUSSEN, F. HENNINGSEN, A. RADDATZ, J. BLOOMBERG, H. WEBER, E. BRECHL, H. GEIER, R. WHITE, C. WOLF, J. BERNSTEIN, A. BAGLIN, A. MORF, and J. McCONNIVILLE. Also received a note from C. JACKSON who was unable to attend because he is hospitalized...Also received a note from CARL HOFFMAN who is planning a trip to Hawaii, and a hello to everybody from WALTER M. COLLINS...The month of April was quite a month for babies. MELVIN COOK became a grandfather for the sixth time when NANCY ANN, 7 pounds 10 ounces, arrived on April 27. The proud parents are JANEEN and JOHN DUSEK. Other new arrivals are: STEVEN CARL MICHALSKI, 8 pound son of MARIE and BERNARD MICHALSKI, born April 5; RANDY NELSON, 8 pounds 11 ounces, born April 16 to PATRICIA and RICHARD NELSON, and PATRIC Jr., born April 20, to PATRICIA and PATRIC GRIFFIN (do you think he could be Irish). Proud grandfather ARVIN WILMONT welcomed CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON, 8 pounds 8 ounces, on April 11. He is the son of MADELEIN and WILLIAM JOHNSON. WILLIAM McDONALD became a grandfather for the first time with the arrival of TROY WILLIAM, 8 pounds, born to PATRICIA and WILLIAM McDONALD Jr. on April 29...Welcome back to WILLIAM LOOS who has returned from sick leave. Best wishes for a speedy recovery to the following: A. McDERMOTT, L. DONOFRIO, H. LAURICH, and M. FITZGERALD...Our deepest sympathy to the CHESTER CUDEK family on the loss of their son, THOMAS, and to the relatives of CLARENCE MIMMCACK who passed away April 14...The following men had birthdays in April: J. WEGL, J. WIECZOREK, J. DILLON, and S. GAFFEN.

- William Rehder

ENGINEERING–RESEARCH & PLANNING -

The Engineering Department welcomes LOUISE SANDSTROM who transferred from the Public Information Department and replaced JEANNE FITZGERALD as Stenographer I...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. DENNIS PENEPACKER on the arrival of a baby boy on April 28 weighing 6 pounds 5 ounces. Dennis is a design draftsman...Everyone would like to express their deepest sympathy to the BRUNOD family on the death of DAN BRUNOD, May 5. Dan started at CTA in 1933 and worked in the Engineering Department as a draftsman. His smiling face and good nature will be missed by all...Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of NORBERT PIECYK who passed away on April 11. Norm was a transit technician in Research and Planning. His co-workers feel the loss of a wonderful guy and deeply miss him...We are sorry to report that BUD WOOL will be leaving us to work for the Chicago Motor Club. He will certainly be missed by all of us. Good wishes and best of luck to you, Bud.

THIS HAPPY young man is MARSHALL IACONO, the son of GRACE IACONO, Research and Planning, and FRANK IACONO, South Shops, who will graduate from Our Lady of Pompeii Grammar school in June and has plans of entering St. Ignatius High school in the fall.

MICHELE DEBORAH ALEXANDER, the lovely daughter of MEL ALEXANDER, editorial assistant, Transit News, will graduate from Thornton High school in June and plans to enter Southern Illinois university in the fall.

THIS PRETTY young lady is LYNN MARIE FITZGERALD, the granddaughter of JEANNE FITZGERALD, Public Information Department, who will graduate from Queen of Rosary Grammar school in June and has plans to enter Elk Grove High school in the fall.

(West Shops) -

RUSS SHANKLIN, superintendent of Buildings & Construction, retired on May 1. He left amid a whirlwind of parties. On April 25, he was feted at an open house in his honor, which was attended by many of his friends and co-workers. I'm sure the luncheon at the Playboy Club will long stay in his memory, especially, because one of the bunnies graciously presented him with her tail. We mustn't

forget the party at Slovik hall for him, too. There were other affairs but I couldn't quite keep up with them. Mr. Shanklin was with the company for 32 years. He and his wife are in the process of moving to a heavenly haven on Bass Lake. He said they plan to travel, do some sightseeing, relax, and just take it easy...RUDY GAMPERL, laborer, retired on May 1 also. He had 24 years of service. If anyone remembers the last issue, his partner retired a month ago and Tony was on hand to make RUDY's last day at work a memorable one. Now it seems strange to see other men driving the little yellow buses that Rudy and Tony drove, but we know that both of them are having the time of their lives just taking it easy...To mention vacations, ED HESS, chief clerk, spent a week at Lake Wisconsin with his family. He said he put in a few days of fishing but didn't have much luck. On the way back, they stopped at the Milwaukee Zoo and were quite entranced with an ape that weighed 650 pounds, but was as adept as a human being while peeling his bananas and oranges...A get well and a hurry back to the wife of VIC EISEMANN, steamfitter foreman, who has been in the hospital after an accident at home. ..We're glad to know that the wife of PAUL ANDERSON, clerk, is out of the hospital and recuperating at home... Your Co-reporter, MARY GALLON, attended the United States Judo championship held at Navy Pier recently. Her brother, who is a sergeant in the Air Force, was in competition for the heavyweight title. John is 6 foot 6 inches and weighs 256 pounds and has a first degree black belt but that wasn't enough to withstand the tough competition he came up against in the tournament. However, it was a most interesting spectacle and Mary took quite a few pictures.

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

MICHAEL HOFFERT left us on May 20 after receiving his induction notice. He was a clerk and relief receiver... We had a visit from Pensioner RAY JOHNSON who looks great and invites all of his old friends to drop in and visit, anytime. In case you would like to write, his address is Route 3, Eagle River, Wisconsin...On April 21, the grandson of Operator REINHART, LARRY ODDO, and his wife, KATHY, gave birth to THERESA ANN, an 8 pound 4 ounce baby girl. This makes the "Gray Ghost" a great-grandfather...The traveling TIGNACS had a grand time on their last trip, but I didn't see any new shirts. He was going to bring yours truly one. Oh well, better luck next time...The annual Division 241 golf tournament will be held on Monday, July 14, at St. Andrew's Golf club. Tickets for golf and dinner are available from the committee at the station. In addition, there will be an award presented to the top golfer of this station who will be determined at the finish of the tournament. He will be hailed as Forest Glen golf champion of 1969. So all you dubbers get out and start practicing for the big show...The Forest Glen credit union is ready to serve you in your financial needs and counseling. See treasurer TED GALUS for fast professional service...On the sick list at this writing are JOE MOLLO, GENE MAZUR, and BART DAVIS...Pensioner "Lefty" FRANZIO is in the hospital and at this writing is coming along fine. Operator WALTER BLIX brought his wife home from the hospital and says she was really missed. I guess Walter had to do all the house cleaning for a change...The wife of Operator TOM MEAGHER just entered the hospital. Let's hope that all those who entered the hospital and those who were released are well on the road to recovery...We are all looking forward to seeing STEVE PANTOS in about a month when he gets a leave from the army. Of course, I don't know how they will get along without him for several weeks.

- W. A. Henry (Don't call me Wilbur)

KEDZIE -

It's always good to hear from the men who have taken their pensions. I received two cards from retired Repairman MICK PAPPAS and his wife, MARGE, who are driving through Florida spending some of his pension money and just enjoying themselves. They stopped and visited GLENN COOLEY, former assistant boss of the repair department. Mr. Pappas says hello to everyone at Kedzie, and a special hello to TED HEFFERNAN of the credit union...RAY WASHBURN, who is now on disability, says hello to everyone at Kedzie. Ray was a motorman who joined the CTA police force...Operator JACK WILLIAMS is taking his pension on May 1. Jack started his transit career in 1929 as a conductor at Archer Depot. He then transferred to Kedzie where he was also active in our credit union. He was an election commissioner for Division 241 for 12 years. Jack will drive to Burley, Idaho, to visit his sister and then continue on to California. To Jack and his lovely wife, BERNICE, we wish you many years of happiness. They have a son, JAMES, and a daughter, ARLENE, and two granchildren to keep them busy...On our sick list as of this writing are Operators CAIN and PATELLARO. We hope to see you both back on the job soon...Your reporter's wife, Mrs. C. GRAHAM, is in the hospital going through a series of tests and x-rays. She's doing very well, and I want to thank all who asked about her, and also those who called the hospital. I am hoping she'll be home soon, as the house isn't the same without her...Instructor JERRY KNOPF says the operators are slipping on their Defensive Driving habits. So, let's all strive just a little harder and cut down on accidents...Operator and Board Member WILLIAM LARSEN and his lovely wife, JOSEPHINE, had their daughter and granddaughter, REGINA, in from Virginia and spent a week with them. The thrill of it all was that it was the first time William had seen his granddaughter. His wife went to Virginia when Regina was born, and now they both stand in the rank of grandparents which they're proud to be a part of.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

How sweet it is! We are number one, again! Hey, fellows, we have won the Interstation Safety Contest for the first quarter of 1969, so keep those belts loose for the hot coffee and donuts we will receive pretty soon. Well done... I received a beautiful postcard from a very fine gentleman and humble servant of our company, and it just happens to be Station Superintendent S. J. BITEL. The Bitels are enjoying a most luxurious vacation on the sunny shores of Daytona Beach, Florida. Hurry back, boss, so you won't miss out on the coffee and donuts...Operator LARA O'BLITAS returned to Bolivia to marry his old sweetheart. Maybe there is a moral behind that--there's no love like first love. Congratulations, congratulations, twice...Operator PAUL DANIELS and his wife, RUBY, will celebrate their 11th wedding anniversary on June 5, and their daughter will be enjoying her 10th birthday on June 24...Garageman RON DONNELLY, former operator, has returned from Archer. Welcome back, Ron, we can always use a good man...Oper-

ator and Mrs. JOHN McGHEE are elated over the achievement of their son, PAUL, who was elected vice president for finance of Tulane university student senate in New Orleans, Louisiana. Paul is a graduate of Albert G. Lane High school where he was an active member on the track, football, and wrestling teams. He attended Grambling college for a year before transferring to Tulane. He is a junior honor student. We all share with the McGhees the pride and joy in the accomplishments of their son.

- Ernest C. Carter & Anthony Berry

LAWNDALE -

There was a wonderful turnout for the March communion and breakfast of the Little Flower Society with that good Irish soda bread and all the trimmings. Best of all, was to meet old friends and have a chit chat. If you haven't joined, there is still time to get your dollar in to the committee... BILL KLECKA and JOE RIHA went on a fishing trip to Greer's Ferry Lake in Arkansas and came back with a good suntan and a good catch of fish...Speaking about a good suntan, CHARLIE STOLCPART really has a doozy. He was in to see us from St. Petersburg, Florida...JERRY PROCHASKA and WILBER ALLEN were also in to see us and are looking great. I think these pensioners are drinking from the fountain of youth...Our deepest sympathy to the families of MARTIN HAUGH, repair, who passed away in April; N. PIECYK who passed away on Sunday, April 13, and JOHN MACHESKAP who passed away on April 11. He is the father of Supervisor ED MACHEN...Once again the White Sox management favored us with two free games, May 17 and 18. The card read, you can bring your wife or girl friend with you. I hope none of you brought both...See you later.

- Larry Keating

LIMITS -

Superintendent GEORGE MAY and his wife, SOPHIE, had a most enjoyable vacation down in sunny Florida. While there, they visited former Superintendent HERMAN ERICKSON who took them on a sightseeing tour. Herman is enjoying his pension to the fullest and sends his best regards to all the men at Limits...Instructor ART TABEL and his dear wife, LAVERNE, motored to Dixon, California, where they saw their new granddaughter. Congratulations to the proud parents and also to grandma and grandpa...JAMES FERGUS, the son of Operator FERGUS, has been promoted to the office of chairman of the membership committee for the Air Lines Pilots association. Congratulations to this fine young man...EDWARD SOUVIGNY, the son of Operator SOUVIGNY, is back for the second time after a tour of duty in Viet Nam. He is now stationed in California where he will spend some time before returning to the far east...We are happy to see S. TUREK back to work again after being off for some time due to illness...HERMAN TRIMUEL and his dear wife, BETTY, celebrated their first wedding anniversary on May 4. Congratulations, folks, and may the coming years be equally as happy as the first one...Our sincerest sympathy to E. FEDEROWICZ in the loss of his sister, LILLIAN OLEJNICZAK, and to Instructor ART KRICKOW in the loss of his dear wife...Operator ROBERT SMITH died suddenly last month. He left a wife and eight children. Our sincerest sympathy to his family.

- R. S. Benson

LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Your former scribe, HELEN PALLISTER, took her pension on June 1. We all hope the years ahead are filled with much happiness for her, and we hope to be hearing from Helen often...People of the West Side--I was asked by Helen to take over this column, but I will need your help to make it interesting and informative. Let's see teamwork in action. If there is anything you wish to inform your fellow employes about, please let me know. My home station is Randolph-Washington-State...It is good to see BILL McNALLY back to work after a long illness. As of this writing, GEORGE ROHUBER and EUGENE BEEBE are still on the sick list. Hope you boys are feeling better...EMMA COX's husband gave her a color TV set to make up for that honeymoon they were unable to take...Vacation time is upon us again. Let's hear about those wonderful trips and weeks in the sun.

- Katy Moriarty

LOOP -

May was party time at the MARY WIXTED home when three of her children celebrated birthdays. Here's hoping that all of you had a wonderful day. I'm sure Mary saw to it that each had a happy birthday. A few extra checks would have helped. How about it, Mary?..Agent M. HAASE is very proud of her two grandchildren. BONNY, who is $2\frac{1}{2}$ years old, is full of fun and tricks, and little DEBORAH JOY was born on April 18 at McNeal hospital where she weighed in at 8 pounds 2 ounces, says grandma. The proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. JAMES HAASE. Jim is a receiver at North Avenue. Mora has pictures of these two little dolls in her booth. Congratulations to mom and dad and also to grandma. Mora is expecting another grandchild around August or September...It is good to see Agent BILL McNALLY back on the job after spending several weeks in the hospital. The last week he was there he got a new roommate--Agent GEORGE ROHRHUBER. We hope George is in the best of health by this time and back to work... Agent M. FILIP left the Loop and is now working at Oak Park-Lake. Hope you like your new station...On May 5, Trainman CORNELL WINSTON received a thank you from a blind man he escorted across the street at Austin. Many people went by but none would help him. Cornell assisted him across, into the station, and onto his train and pleased the blind man greatly. Thank you, Cornell, for being so kind...Agent W. STRASSER and his wife, HAZEL, just re-

THIS FASHIONABLE trio includes, from left, DIANA, TONY Jr., and DAWN MARIE RITROVATO, the children of TONY and REGGIE RITROVATO, pictured after Tony Jr. made his first holy communion. Tony Sr. is a Claim Department statementman.

turned from a three-week vacation to Denver, Colorado. They also visited Dodge City and old Front street which is a replica of the original frontier street. Wilbur spent a few days in Central City looking for gold but said he had no luck. Wilbur and Hazel's little granddaughter, CANDY CARR, who is four years old, was quite excited because she appeared on TV with Bozo of Bozo's Circus. Grandma and grandpa were also excited watching little Candy on TV. ..Several part-time agents are returning for the summer and we welcome them back...There are so many new agents around the Loop, it's hard to meet all of them. So if you have a birthday, wedding, graduation, or death in the family, write it down and send it to M. DOYLE, Transit News, Lake Street office, Forest Park, c/o D. DOYLE. It's vacation time so let us in on some of the nice and interesting places you are planning to visit or already have been to. Even a funny little story about someone working around here as it is all in fun and we all enjoy a laugh now and then...Agent G. PECHOUS is now on pension and enjoying it very much. Agents turning in at Lake-Randolph sure miss you, George. Now you can take it easy with no running to make that Lake train. How about that!

- Mildred Doyle

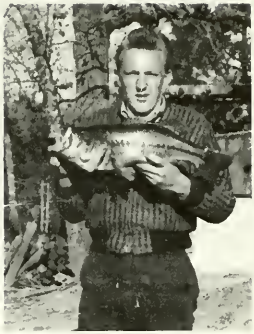
NORTH AVENUE -

Receiver JAMES HAASE and his wife, DARLENE, are the proud parents of an 8 pound baby girl, DEBORAH, born April 18 at McNeal Memorial hospital. Congratulations to the new parents and baby...Collector TONY GLOPPE had a birthday party for his father, INGRALD, on March 30, his 95th birthday. We extend our best wishes for health and happiness...We are happy to report that JOHN GRIMALDI, the son of Assistant Day Foreman FRANK GRIMALDI, was discharged from the armed forces on April 25 after serving in Vietnam. The homecoming was celebrated with a family gathering...Clerk ARTHUR OLSEN went to Pompano Beach, Florida, and visited with former Superintendent GEORGE MAY and his wife...Operator BILL BLUME spent his vacation at Fort Myers, Florida, playing golf and getting lots of rest...We received a card from former North Avenue Operator JERRY KLAMP and his wife, URSULA, who now live in California. They spent their vacation in Germany and send greetings to all...Our May 1 pensioners are Operators PAUL DAVIS and HANS HABBESTAD, and Janitor WILLIAM NAUGHTON. We wish them the best of everything. Be sure and let us hear from you, boys...We are interested in all of your news items and hope you will drop them in the box. We have no way of getting them unless you give them to us. Several men have been helpful giving us the news they have, and we thank them, but we need your cooperation if there is something you'd like to let your fellow workers know about...Our deepest sympathy to the families of Pensioner HARRY HEIDE who passed away on April 6 and was laid to rest on April 8 at Eden cemetery, and Operator JERRY VANEK who lost his wife recently...We hope you all have an enjoyable 4th of July weekend. However you spend it, be careful and come back safe and sound.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

The Little Flower communion and breakfast service held on Sunday, March 30, was well received by the men of North Park. Leading the group attending were: Pensioner



WHEN HE says it was this big, Operator CHARLES STROCKIS, North Avenue, can prove it. He is pictured here with the six-pound bass he caught with a twin spinner while fishing in Bull Shoals, Arkansas.

JOE GRASSL, MIKE PHILBIN, DAN MALONEY, ROY RAPP, JOHN KARASEK, NICK MUENCHEN, TONY GRANAHAN, and JOE VAN DEN EEDEN. Operator Dan Maloney won a beautiful statue in the door prize drawing...With the coming of summer all operators are cautioned to be alert for children who will be out of school and playing in the streets...Operator KAZ YAWORSKI has a Skamper trailer which sleeps eight people and is available for anyone needing a trailer this summer...The following personnel from North Park won beautiful door prizes at the 17th annual dinner of the Friends of Assumption church held Tuesday, April 15, at the M&M Club in the Merchandise Mart: Operators JORGE SALGADO, ED McDONALD, and TIM HEANEY, the son of Operator DON HEANEY. Mr. F. C. PALILUNAS, CTA Revenue Accountant, was introduced around our tables by LOU BIELSKI, and his visit was enjoyed by all...Pensioner MARTIN DEVANEY and his wife, PEGGY, along with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. HENRY PETERSON of Manistique, Michigan, had a grand time visiting with Pensioners ART and RUTH MUIR and FRANK and MYRTLE HESS of Forsyth, Missouri. Martin, it is reported, showed everyone how to catch trout and the folks are looking for him to return soon so that he may reveal a few secrets...Mrs. JUNE MOREAU, the wife of Clerk JACK MOREAU, vacationed with four friends at Acapulco, Mexico. Highlights of the trip were visits to the bull fights, shopping in Mexico City, and a deep sea fishing excursion in the Gulf of Mexico. Jack and his two daughters had their first separation from June in 29 years...Operator LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRACE, vacationed in Florida. On the agenda were visits to Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Lauderdale, John F. Kennedy Space Center, Daytona Beach, St. Augustine, and the Stephen Foster museum. Larry and Grace were very impressed with the warmth and hospitality of the people of Florida...Operator ROY LEMKE and his wife, MARION, spent two weeks fishing at Lake Norfolk, Arkansas. Marion caught a trophy Kentucky bass weighing 5 pounds 2 ounces. Sports Afield awarded Marion a distintinguished anglers award and a patch for her cap. Roy reports excellent results for the trip...Operator MEL HORNING and his wife, VIOLET, spent three days with Pensioner ART MUIR and his wife, RUTH, of Forsyth, Missouri. Pensioner FRANK HESS and his wife, MYRTLE, who reside in the Forsyth Mobile Court, were also included in the fishing and sightseeing trips that were on the agenda. A grand day with Pensioner ED CORDA and his wife, JEAN, of Tennessee Ridge, Tennessee, was also on the agenda. It is a most gratifying experience to see how these grand pensioners are living with their working days behind them.

E. O. O'BRIEN
45 Years

A. D. ORMORD
45 Years

A. J. TYSON
43 Years

J. KENNEDY
43 Years

R. J. BURROWS
43 Years

NEW PENSIONERS

JOINING THE ranks of the retired on May 1 and June 1 are the 15 employes pictured here who had 40 or more years of transit service each with CTA and its predecessors.

WILLIAM J. BARNES, Record Clerk,
South Shops, Emp. 4-17-34
MILDRED C. BONOMO, Purchasing Clerk,
Purchasing, Emp. 9-1-43
PATRICK BOYLE, Serviceman,
North Park, Emp. 11-7-41
REGINALD J. BURROWS, Motorman,
West Section, Emp. 1-4-26
THOMAS P. CARROLL, Foreman,
Lawndale, Emp. 12-18-29
FRANK L. CULLEN, Janitor,
77th Street, Emp. 6-5-43
WALTER J. DALY, Chief Clerk,
Archer, Emp. 11-1-31
PAUL W. DAVIS, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 10-25-27
CORNELIUS DE BOER, Equip. Operator,
Util. & Emer. Service, Emp. 4-9-41
PAUL A. DENNEHY, Truck Chauffeur,
Util. & Emer. Service, Emp. 7-2-28
HARRY E. DETTREY, Foreman,
North Park, Emp. 12-11-28
RUDOLPH S. DIBLIK, Conductor,
West Section, Emp. 10-11-43
JEREMIAH J. DUNN, Clerk,
69th Street, Emp. 1-8-34
JOHN J. DUNNE, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 2-5-29
ROY D. EGBERT, Elect. Worker,
South Shops, Emp. 7-2-23
JOSEPH M. EIFFES, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 6-24-42
DALLAS O. FOSTER, Repairer,
Archer Tire Repair, Emp. 6-11-42
ANDREW F. GAERTNER, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 5-22-29
JOE T. GAINES, Janitor,
South Section, Emp. 2-27-51
ANTHONY M. GALLO, Repairer,
North Park, Emp. 3-22-42
RUDOLPH GAMPERL, Laborer,
Building, Emp. 8-31-45
ALBERT J. GLUECKERT, Medical Tech.,
Medical, Emp. 11-1-33
JOHN GRZYB, Carpenter,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 8-2-26
HANS M. HABBESTAD, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 10-31-29
EDWARD M. HAGEDORN, File Clerk,
Claim, Emp. 10-14-29
EARL R. HORSTMAN, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 7-25-27
RAYMOND A. HYNES, Supervisor,
Office Services, Emp. 9-1-46
JOHN KENNEDY, Machinist,
South Shops, Emp. 5-24-26
WILLIAM KILMARTIN, Conductor,
West Section, Emp. 7-14-28
ARTHUR H. KRAUSE, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 3-10-43
JOHN LENIHAN, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 1-8-30
PATRICK J. MALONEY, Repairer,
North Park, Emp. 9-11-44
DANIEL McEVOY, Electrician,
Electrical, Emp. 11-7-33
PATRICK F. McQUAID, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 8-31-36
RICHARD W. MEISNER, Superintendent,
South Section, Emp. 8-13-36
WALTER E. MILLER, Stock Clerk,
North Division, Emp. 10-10-23
KIERAN MORAN, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 1-31-29
MICHAEL MUSAYKO, Carpenter,
South Shops, Emp. 7-22-26
WILLIAM F. NAUGHTON, Janitor,
North Avenue, Emp. 5-15-42
LESTER R. NORMAN, Chief Collector,
South Section, Emp. 8-2-43
ESTHER O. O'BRIEN, Secretary,
Schedule-Traffic, Emp. 6-18-23
WILLIAM J. O'BRIEN, Business Representative,
Mach. Union Dist. 8, Emp. 10-5-45
PETER C. OLSZEWSKI, Tractor Operator,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 11-11-47
ARTHUR D. ORMORD, Foreman,
Campaign Area, Emp. 6-5-23

K. MORAN
40 Years

P. W. DAVIS
41 Years

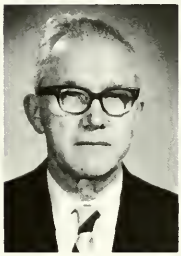
C. G. WILLIAMS
40 Years

M. MUSAYKO
42 Years

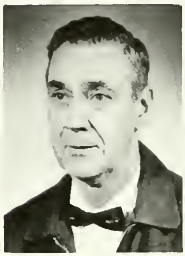
E. R. HORSTMAN
41 Years

J. GRZYB
42 Years

J. J. DUNNE
40 Years



H. S. SHERLOK
40 Years



P. A. DENNEHY
40 Years

W. KILMARTIN
40 Years

HELEN A. PALLISTER, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 2-27-54
GEORGE M. PECHOUS, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 7-10-45
WILLIAM C. RAABER, Foreman,
South Shops, Emp. 10-9-28
CORNELIUS RIORDAN, Repairman,
61st Street, Emp. 8-7-28
RUSSELL J. SHANKLIN, Sup't of Constr. & Maint.,
Engineering, Emp. 10-1-37
DENIS SHEEHAN, Serviceman,
Archer, Emp. 12-9-43
JOE SUSMAN, Supervisor,
District D, Emp. 10-3-45
HARRY S. SHERLOK, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 12-1-28
FRANK SPICUZZA, Trainman,
West Section, Emp. 3-13-44
FRANK J. STEINER, Machinist,
South Shops, Emp. 8-29-45
VERNON D. THORNTON, Blind Case Clerk,
Claim, Emp. 3-13-34
LEO N. TREFF, Investigator,
Claim, Emp. 5-24-34
THOMAS J. TWOMEY, Repairer,
South Campaign Area, Emp. 7-28-47
ANDREW J. TYSON, Shop Clerk,
South Shops, Emp. 6-29-25
GEORGE W. WADE, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 3-10-43
THOMAS P. WALSH, Supervisor,
District C, Emp. 1-23-34
CLARENCE G. WILLIAMS, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 1-29-29
WALTER J. WRIGHT, Assignment Clerk,
Special Investigations, Emp. 9-19-35
JOHN ZURICH, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 9-20-29

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

CHARLES E. BRISOLARA, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 8-5-41
LESLIE G. BYRNES, Janitor,
West Section, Emp. 12-16-46
ANDREW J. CZUBA, Electrical Worker,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 8-20-45
THOMAS DAVIS, Operator,
52nd Street, Emp. 5-2-57
HAROLD E. GERTZ, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 8-24-37
JOHN L. KEHOE, Electrical Worker,
South Shops, Emp. 7-14-42
WALTER J. O'CONNOR, Repairer,
North Avenue, Emp. 4-17-47
GILBERT J. PANUCE, Conductor,
North Section, Emp. 12-19-47
VIGGO T. WINDFELD, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 8-8-41

..Pensioner JOE VAN DEN EEDEN and his wife, CLARA, will be making their home at Hamilton Lake, Michigan, which is located in the upper peninsula of Michigan. Joe's address will be Route 7, Vulcan, Michigan 49892...Airman Apprentice JAMES E. BORK, the son of Instructor JOHN BORK, was graduated from Aviation Mechanical Fundamentals school at the Naval Air Technical Training Center in Memphis, Tennessee...Operator AL KLOPACZ is driving a new '69 LTD Ford now and will be willing and ready to demonstrate it to anyone...Operator LEO STERN has purchased a new '69 Fairlane Ford station wagon equipped with air conditioning and stereo, and the family is now looking for new worlds to conquer...Operator HENRY THELIN can be found on different street corners of Chicago where he is now working as a checker for the Schedule Department. Good luck in your new position, Hank...Mrs. ILAH WILLENBROCK, the wife of Operator ELMER WILLENBROCK, is hospitalized at this writing and in need of blood donors. See Elmer if you can help, as Ilah will appreciate your offers...CHUCK BAKER, the son of Operator SAM BAKER, has been promoted to sales manager of a Los Angeles firm. In his new position, Chuck will cover California, Nevada, Arizona, and Utah. SHELDON BAKER, Sam's youngest son, will enter Columbia college this fall. Sheldon who is finishing his second year at Loop City college, plans to go into television broadcasting and writing...CHRISTINE CHRISTENSEN, the daughter of Operator CHARLES CHRISTENSEN, was elected to the National Honor Society at Foreman High school. Christine, who is 16 years of age, will graduate from Foreman this June and plans for the future are still shaping up...WAYNE BAEUCHLER, the son of Operator LEONARD and VIVIAN BAEUCHLER, became engaged to Miss ELAINE BODE of Glenview, Illinois. The young couple are planning to be married in August, and both will be teaching school in Racine, Wisconsin, this fall...ALAN JONES, the son of Operator GUS JONES, is a patient in Veterans hospital for treatment of Hodgkins disease which he contracted while in the U.S. Air Force. Our prayers are with Alan for a complete recovery...Mrs. ANN JULITZ, the wife of Operator HAROLD JULITZ, was hospitalized at Edgewater hospital for major surgery and at this writing is recovering satisfactorily. Harold is proving to be a genius around the kitchen and Ann will be getting the royal treatment when she comes home...Operator JOE EIFFES underwent surgery for a hernia at St. Francis hospital in Evanston. Joe's passengers along Sheridan road presented Joe with a beautiful wristwatch to help hurry his recovery along...Operator HERMAN WEYLAND became a grandfather for the third time when his daughter, Mrs. JOAN WALSH, gave birth to a 6 pounds 14 ounce son named PATRICK DANIEL on March 28 at Holy Name hospital...Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Pensioner BEN GEACH and his wife, RUTH, their 48th; Pensioner GEORGE HOFFMAN and his wife, ELLY, their 40th; Pensioner JOE GRASSL, and his wife, FLORENCE, their 47th; Operator JACK RUSS and his wife, MARIAN, their 22nd; Operator PETE DOLAN and his wife, ROSLEEN, their 11th; Operator LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRACE, their 32nd; Operator JIM REUTSCHLER and his wife, HAZEL, their 29th, and Operator BERNIE KONIARSKI and his wife, GERTRUDE, their 22nd...Happy birthdays are extended to the following: DAN KAZAR, ETHEL POSNER, MARTIN STERN, BETHEL KIRKWOOD, ROSALEEN DOLAN, Operators SAM POSNER, JOE EIFFES, and Mrs. HALL...Golfers remember the date--Monday, July 14, at St. Andrew's Golf club. Division 241 annual golf day will be held on this date and we are looking forward to all golfers participating in this fine event...Need cash for that vacation? See TONY, JOHN, or DALE at the credit union office and they will be happy to provide you and yours with ready cash...Receiver AL REMACH was hospitalized at St. Joseph's hospital for a hernia operation, and at this writing is recuperating very well. Al, you better leave the lifting of those heavy money bags for CURLY.

HELEN PALLISTER - - a ticket agent since February, 1954, and a Transit News scribe since December, 1964 - - retired June 1 and is now enjoying the tranquility of her Salem, Wisconsin, home. The Transit News staff appreciates the job which Helen has done making her Lake, Lagan & Douglas (Agents) column such a regular and newsy one, and would like to join her many friends at CTA in wishing her a long and enjoyable retirement.

Garage chit chat--Repairman FRANK CAHILL spent his spring vacation in the woods of Wisconsin visiting his son. ..Repairman FRANK (The Cat) SCHENDEL has officially welcomed spring by discarding his rubbers...Repairman PAUL (on the ball) SCHREVES is distributing tickets for his annual organ concert...Night Foreman JOHN JOYCE spent his vacation fishing and the results were great... MORRIE won a beautiful trophy at the Union Grove Drag Strip with his 98 Oldsmobile...Repairman JULIUS MERSCH is spending all his spare time at his son's home in Skokie planting their garden which will feature tomatoes and roses...Repairman RED STAUNTON has been laid low again by the flu bug...Tireman MATT HEAVEY is getting many compliments for the beef stews that he is turning out for the lunch hour...HARRY DITTREY and TONY (The Little Wine Maker) GALLO have taken their pensions and were honored with a party at the garage. Our best to these two grand gentlemen.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

Congratulations to the following men who qualified in the supervisor training program. They were: J. ZEPP, A. ZAGEL, H. HORN, T. McDONAGH, J. BLAINE, C. MATHEWS, W. MANN, J. WASHINGTON, and ARLISS JONES... WILLIAM BLISS, retired ticket agent, called a few weeks ago to say that he is on the go all the time working for the Impact International association, traveling with them to all the conventions. Some people never give up working. He looks good, too...S. CHRIST has been appointed assistant superintendent of the South Section, and J. WALCJWAS has been promoted to North-South relief supervisor...K. RUEHLMANN is in West Suburban hospital at this writing, and JOHN HAMMERSMITH is in St. Francis hospital... CHARLES BRISOLARA has taken a disability pension. Superintendent RICHARD MEISNER, South Section, took his pension on May 1, as did ANDY GAERTNER. Here's wishing them both a long and happy retirement...MINNA KING spent some time in Florida recently visiting relatives... Superintendent JOHN ZUPKO has added another activity to

his already busy schedule; he is the coach for a little league team. If you want to see baseball played at its finest, come over to Pottawattomie park...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. MARVIN HARRIS who celebrated their 28th wedding anniversary on May 11...JOHN STILES and his wife had a baby girl on April 15 weighing 7 pounds 5 ounces and named LEE ANN...NORA FAHEY stopped in at Loyola to say hello and looks real good since her retirement...Our sincere condolences to the family of JOHN DURKIN who passed away on April 17...JERRY O'CONNELL, the son of ROSE O'CONNELL, made the National Honor society. Congratulations, Jerry...M. DURCAN is leaving for Europe on May 23, and GERDA MATHEWS is planning to leave on May 29. She will visit her mother and relatives, including an aunt who will soon be 82 years old. Let's pray that they have a safe trip and that it doesn't storm, as Gerda is afraid of lightning...S/Sgt. NORMAN C. MADSEN, the son of your reporter, GRACE MOUNTS, was recently awarded a letter of commendation while serving with the 35th artillery, U.S. Army, in Germany. Sgt. Madsen, who is chief of the wire section in headquarters battery, was cited for his section receiving a 100 per cent on the annual general inspection. His wife, SHIRLEY, is with him in Germany.

- Grace Mounts

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

Your scribe decided that it was time that she got into the news, so here goes. I spent two wonderful weeks in Florida at the little white house of JACK and WANDA KRAUSE (my second home). The weather was ideal, in the mid 80's everyday, with only a few showers in the evenings. I went deep sea fishing with Wanda, the NOVAKS (District B), and the PRYORS (Instruction-South Side). At fishing, I got skunked; but I enjoyed the boat ride. If it wasn't swimming in the pool it was swimming in the ocean where I managed to get a beautiful tan. We visited with many former CTA employes and also got together with other vacationing CTA people, namely, LEE DE SUTTER, Specifications, GEORGE MAY, Limits Station superintendent, THOMAS SCREEN, 69th Street Station superintendent, and JOHN THUROW, 77th Street. A total of 21 of us went to dinner at the Viking restaurant in Fort Lauderdale and really had a ball. As for myself, I had a great time, and I think I can say the same for everyone else. I guess I still have the sand in my shoes from my first trip to Florida, because it won't be soon enough until my next trip there and I know that sailfish there is just waiting to be caught by me...RAYMOND DAGENAIS and his wife also chose the State of Florida as their vacation spot, but I'm sorry to say that they weren't as lucky with the weather. The water came down from the heavens in the form of rain most of the time they were in Miami. Mrs. Dagenais made the most of those days by going shopping. They did manage to get out and enjoy themselves on the nice days...WALLY OQUIST and his wife, BETTY, drove to St. Louis to spend a few days with their daughter, SUSAN. They had company with them on their return trip home as their daughter came back with them to visit with her family and friends...Recently, JOE VODVARKA and his wife, MARILYN, spent a weekend at Chula Vista Resort in the Wisconsin Dells with a large group of other square dancers. They belong to a club called the Shaumburg Squares, and GENE SCHAEFER, West Section, and his wife, MYRTLE, represented the Bell Squares. They enjoyed dancing to the calls of Wally Schultz and Max Forsyth all weekend. If you think that they are tired from all that dancing, you're wrong, because they can't wait until the next dance. They must have had a real good time as they already made reservations for a return visit to this resort and dancing next year...ART ROEPKE's son, WAYNE, plays the bass fiddle with the Pat Panessa Trio, and from what I hear he is pretty good. Their most recent booking was at the London House, opposite of George Shearing. He has also played with big name bands all around the United States.

JOHN C. STOKES JR., the son of Operator JOHN C. STOKES, 77th Street, has been appointed the first black legislative intern, and is assigned to the democratic senators in the State legislature. John Jr., a graduate of the University of Illinois, Urbana campus, was a political science major and plans to continue his education.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

Congratulations to PAUL DENNEHY who retired on May 1. After 40 years and 10 months with the company he will now begin a life of enjoyment and relaxation. Among the well wishers were: J. MULREE, C. BELASICH, P. CARPINO, and E. FEHLHABER...We are happy to hear that JOHN BURNES is feeling much better after an extended illness. He sends his regards to all his friends...During the recent disturbances in Chicago, the National Guard called many men to active duty. Included in this group were H. WOODS and H. McMILLAN.

(Traffic Planning) -

Congratulations to JAMES TOOLIS who was elected president of the Fathers club at St. Lawrence High school for the 1969-1970 school year. It's a big responsibility and a lot of work, but we know you can do it, Jim.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

On April 23 GEORGE CLARK was all smiles. The reason is that he received news from Cadillac, Michigan, of the birth of MICHAEL GEORGE, his seventh grandchild. Congratulations, grandfather.

- Colette Szczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

After 25 years of combined service with the old CSL and CTA, Miss MILDRED BONOMO, receptionist in the Purchasing Department, retired June 1. Millie spent 15 years working out of the West Shops then transferred to her present position, which she has held for the last 10 years. Mildred has not made any definite plans as to what she would like to do after retirement, but she does plan to remain in Chicago. So, from all of us to you, Millie, have a happy, happy retirement...We would like to express our

recent deaths

HARRY A. ABBOTT, 89, Track,
Emp. 3-18-07, Died 3-27-69
EDWARD J. BECHTEL, 66, Lake Street,
Emp. 7-31-45, Died 3-12-69
JOSEPH J. BOURNE, 64, Electrical,
Emp. 11-18-30, Died 3-17-69
FRANK G. CARLSON, 85, Devon,
Emp. 1-20-12, Died 4-16-69
STANLEY CZAPIEWSKI, 85, North Section,
Emp. 9-14-18, Died 4-21-69
THOMAS DABULSKIS, 72, 69th Street,
Emp. 6-1-27, Died 3-16-69
PAUL C. DAU, 77, Lawndale,
Emp. 12-9-13, Died 3-21-69
WILLIAM DUNNE, 80, Devon,
Emp. 10-23-20, Died 4-7-69
CHARLES W. ENGELDAHL, 80, Track,
Emp. 4-10-34, Died 4-8-69
PETER ENGELUND, 85, Armitage,
Emp. 5-21-13, Died 4-19-69
EMMETT P. FARRELL, 66, Forest Glen,
Emp. 11-22-26, Died 4-17-69
WILLIAM J. GALLAGHER, 72, South Section,
Emp. 6-6-19, Died 3-27-69
CHARLES R. GIERSCH, 63, North Park,
Emp. 2-9-37, Died 3-9-69
FRANCIS J. GILFOY, 56, Logan Square,
Emp. 4-13-39, Died 4-10-69
CHARLES GOLZ, 79, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 7-1-26, Died 3-7-69
THOMAS J. GOUGH, 81, Kedzie,
Emp. 10-30-22, Died 4-1-69
FRANK J. GROLL, 60, Schedule-Traffic,
Emp. 10-12-36, Died 3-12-69
CARL A. GUSTAVSON, 77, Limits,
Emp. 5-27-24, Died 4-27-69
FRED G. HAASE, 76, 69th Street,
Emp. 11-21-22, Died 3-14-69
WILLIAM HANLEY, 73, 77th Street,
Emp. 2-12-23, Died 4-4-69
LOUIS A. HANUSKA, 58, Lawndale,
Emp. 2-9-37, Died 3-16-69
JOHN F. HART, 77, West Section,
Emp. 12-24-12, Died 4-21-69
MARTIN HAUGH, 68, Lawndale,
Emp. 11-12-41, Died 4-3-69
HARRY HEIDE, 67, North Avenue,
Emp. 12-19-24, Died 4-4-69
JAMES W. HESLER, 80, South Shops,
Emp. 11-3-20, Died 4-19-69
LAURA C. HICKMAN, 87, West Section,
Emp. 6-19-35, Died 3-28-69
OSCAR E. JOHNSON, 79, Devon,
Emp. 5-3-16, Died 5-8-69
ANDREW KACHMARIK, 74, West Section,
Emp. 3-2-29, Died 3-31-69
JOHN L. KELLEHER, 82, 69th Street,
Emp. 6-16-20, Died 2-28-69
CHARLES M. KOURI, 69, West Section,
Emp. 9-2-24, Died 4-13-69

deepest sympathy to ZITA GYURICZA of Purchasing on the recent death of her brother, DAN BRUNOD. Danny was a draftsman in the Engineering Department where I am sure he will be missed by all...Mrs. LEE DE SUTTER and her husband recently returned from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, where they spent four beautiful weeks wining and dining and basking leisurely in the sun. While there, they visited with WANDA and JACK KRAUSE and ELEANOR and GEORGE KYNASTON who are former employes of CTA...Mr. FRANK MAGUIRE (our man in charge of batteries) and his wife ventured to Sterling, Illinois, to visit their daughter, MARY ANN, and their two lovely grandchildren. From there, it was onward to Omaha, Nebraska, to see their recently married daughter, JUDY, and her husband at Creighton university. Sounds like it was a very enjoyable journey...Our deepest sympathy goes to Mr. FRED LOITZ and his wife on the recent death of his mother at the age of 93...Good "ole" GEORGE LINDEN's oldest son, ALAN, is soon to graduate after serving a four year apprenticeship as a mold maker. Graduation ceremonies will be held at the Carrousel restaurant located in the Arlington race track (two to one he makes it George). Congratulations, Alan, and to the whole Linden family...Mrs. TERESA BARRY has become a grandmother for the fourth time. JAMES ROBERT arrived on April 14 and is the second boy for Teresa's son, PATRICK. All are doing fine, and we can tell by the smile on Teresa's face these days...Well what have we here--seems Mrs. JOAN THOMAS just can't live without us. Here she is back again working in the Stores Department. Joan was with us in the Mart, then transferred to our South Division for a while, then took some time out to welcome a new Thomas into the world, and, well, here she is again. Glad to have you back...After almost nine years of service with the Stores Department, the amiable Mrs. D. JANE BELL is leaving us to take up her new position with Mr. GEORGE CLARK of the Equipment Research and Development Department. All of us wish you, Jane, the best, best, best! To take over the chores of Jane Bell is Miss CATHY RASCHICK, formerly of the Insurance Department. Welcome to the Stores Department, Cathy!

- Jane Urso & Rod Rusakiewicz

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

BILL DENTAMARRO was at the Knights of Columbus dinner and was honored with a pin. Bill has been a member for 40 years...We welcome F. HAGINS and H. THELIN to the department as outside checkers, and also welcome J. MAREK as a traffic clerk...CLARK JOHNSON spent his vacation taking some short trips and house cleaning...We extend best wishes to GEORGE JOHANNES and his new bride who were married on April 12. They spent their honeymoon in New Orleans and Florida...HARRY HIRSCH and his family flew down to Florida to visit with his folks...The sympathy of the department is extended to JOHN URBAN upon the loss of mother.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

Here we are again at vacation time and the bowling season is over. The CTA league of the Drake Bowl was won again by the team of Thomas J. Cooney Sons Funeral Home. The players are WALLY ONYSIO, shopman, HAROLD FRA-

among employes

CHARLES A. KRAUSE, 70, 69th Street,
Emp. 10-7-22, Died 4-18-69
MAX M. LENTZ, 81, Kedzie,
Emp. 8-24-16, Died 3-19-69
GEORGE C. MacINTOSH, 73, North Avenue,
Emp. 6-5-25, Died 4-15-69
ALEXANDER MALCOS, 87, Archer,
Emp. 1-20-26, Died 4-20-69
JOSEPH F. MALIK, 67, West Section,
Emp. 12-31-45, Died 3-8-69
JOHN C. MALLAN, 75, North Park,
Emp. 4-27-26, Died 4-23-69
THOMAS M. MALONE, 79, Devon,
Emp. 7-27-21, Died 4-27-69
WILLIAM E. MANNICH, 69, Loomis,
Emp. 10-11-17, Died 3-30-69
PATRICK McNEELY, 71, North Section,
Emp. 12-17-42, Died 4-4-69
EDWARD R. MILLER, 67, North Park,
Emp. 5-16-24, Died 3-12-69
CLARENCE J. MIMMACK, 73, Electrical,
Emp. 4-10-22, Died 4-14-69
LEROY T. MORRIS, 60, West Section,
Emp. 8-8-42, Died 4-14-69
JAMES MURPHY, 79, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 4-7-43, Died 4-14-69
WILLIAM H. NOFTSKER, 86, West Section,
Emp. 7-7-24, Died 3-14-69
OSCAR OHMAN, 91, Grand Avenue,
Emp. 5-18-97, Died 3-24-69
ALEX PACELUNAS, 85, South Shops,
Emp. 9-7-20, Died 3-11-69
MARIE PETERSON, 59, South Section,
Emp. 12-8-44, Died 3-26-69
ALOYSIUS F. RASZEJA, 63, South Shops,
Emp. 5-19-37, Died 4-21-69
BERNARD ROONEY, 84, Limits,
Emp. 2-28-10, Died 4-4-69
ROY O. SNEEN, 52, Chicago Avenue,
Emp. 2-12-36, Died 3-23-69
NELLIE B. SWEENEY, 90, South Section,
Emp. 12-19-30, Died 4-17-69
CHARLES TOLL, 81, Lincoln,
Emp. 5-11-08, Died 4-6-69
ALBERT TOMCHANE, 69, West Section,
Emp. 6-5-17, Died 4-13-69
CHESTER VAILLANCOURT, 74, Forest Glen,
Emp. 2-26-23, Died 3-29-69
HAROLD J. VANDERVEST, 76, Kedzie,
Emp. 6-25-23, Died 4-17-69
GEORGE C. WAGNER, 55, 69th Street,
Emp. 8-18-37, Died 3-31-69
EDWARD M. WINTER, 78, Track,
Emp. 4-3-24, Died 4-20-69
FRANK WOJCIK, 73, Lake Street,
Emp. 1-9-41, Died 3-7-69
JAMES YARY, 84, West Section,
Emp. 12-9-19, Died 3-1-69
ARTHUR A. ZEISSLER, 79, Armitage,
Emp. 3-23-20, Died 3-29-69

GEL, retired operator, DON TOPOLINSKI, Signal Department, TED NADROWSKI, electrical workers, and EVERETT ENGLAND, clerk and reporter. BEN KERPEN and his bowling team of District "C" gained second place in the B.P.A. at the Drake Bowl with a series of 3,091. Nice rolling, team...ROBERT BINNIE, electrical worker, and his wife, CAROL, are enjoying a week's vacation just here and there...THEODORE NADROWSKI, electrical worker, was hit by an automobile at Campbell and Lawrence avenue. He had a compound fracture of the left arm--his bowling arm. Good luck, Ted...EDWARD REYNOLDS, sheet metal worker, has returned to work after a series of trips to the hospital. Nice having you back, Ed...MARIA VENTICINQUE, typist at Skokie Shops, reports doing real good after her operation a few weeks back. Hurry back, Maria...RALPH DANIELSON, retired foreman, made a nice visit to Skokie Shops recently and he looks wonderful...DAVE JENSEN, retired Skokie Shops carpenter since 1954, paid us a visit at the shops to see some of his old time friends before leaving the states for a trip to Norway. Dave and his wife have been traveling since his retirement, and have seen many places of interest...TED NEINABER, retired engineer, returned to the shops for a visit. Nice seeing you, Ted...HARRY MINGEE, painter, reports he is feeling better but cannot get the OK for a return to work as yet. Hurry back, Harry...Please send in some nice vacation trip news.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

There is so much to write about this time that I better start right in. Our Station Superintendent at 61st Street, RICHARD MEISNER, went on pension May 1 and everyone wishes him an enjoyable and healthy life of retirement. I'm writing this column with mixed emotions. We are so glad that Mr. Meisner is taking his pension, but we are all going to miss him. He has been a wonderful boss to me and the office force and to everyone on the South Section. First of all, the Loomis Street men had a get-together and lunch for Mr. Meisner and a token of remembrance was presented to him by the Loomis Coffee club. Then the 61st Street Coffee club had their get-together for Mr. Meisner and also for Foot Collector RAY NORMAN and Janitor JOE GAINES who also retired May 1. We had a large crowd with everyone who works at 61st Street in attendance, also Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS, Retired Towerman PATRICK HICKEY, supervisors, instructors, guest superintendents from the other sections, Division 308 President JOHN BURNS, and Secretary-Treasurer MICHAEL CRONIN. We had a lunch of hot dogs, cake, and coffee, and a token of remembrance was presented to all three. It was a wonderful send-off for the three new retirees. Ray Norman and Joe Gaines will be missed by all their co-workers. They were excellent employes. A happy life of retirement is wished for all of them...Congratulations and good wishes to MICHAEL O'CONNOR who was appointed station superintendent at 61st Street on May 1 (our new boss), and to JOSEPH TVRDIK who was appointed assistant station superintendent at Ashland avenue, to STANLEY CHRIST who was appointed assistant station superintendent at 61st Street, and to JAMES WALSH who was appointed relief station superintendent. It couldn't have happened to four nicer people...Hooray! Back to work from the sick list are: Motormen FRED GRONEMEYER, and ALEX KOMIS, Yard Foreman WALLACE BROWN, Conductor HAROLD

DeCUIR, Clerk JOE O'CONNOR, Supervisor JAMES QUINN, and Agent CORRINE DALMAS...More good news--Congratulations to Motorman DARDEN FULLER who was appointed supervisor on May 4...Clerk ROBERT LEE is mighty proud of his seven year old daughter, STEPHANIE, who made her first holy communion on April 20 at St. Kilians church. A family gathering was held afterwards for Stephanie...A hearty hi to transferees from the Surface Division to agents: JAMES JOHNSON, OSBORNE CASEY, and DONALD HOUSTON, and to newly-hired Agent GAYLE LANDIS, and Part-time Agent RICHARD JOHNSON...Mrs. LEO DILLON and family wish to thank everyone for the kindnesses shown to them in their deep sorrow when Agent LEO DILLON passed away recently...Guess who looks so nifty in his new uniform--Badge 21906 at Loomis Street--Conductor MARVIN KISSEL...This was the month for parties. The Spring Agents Pension club dinner was held on April 13 at the Beverly Woods restaurant and a good time was had by all. We had a different room this time and it was real cozy. The food was good and the pensioners looked hale and hearty, including Retired Agents MAE DRISCOLL, GRACE MEEHAN, CATHERINE COLLINS, KAREN FRIDDLE, Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS, Retired Towerman PATRICK HICKEY, Retired Supervisor BOB BROWN, and many others. It was good to see everyone. Many thanks to Retired Assignment Agents LULU HAMANN and ROSE HEIDENBLUT who work so hard to make these dinners possible...Our sincere condolences to Motorman LAWRENCE MAY on the sudden loss of his brother...Five happy South Section men who were accepted for the supervisors training program are: Motormen DAVID CURRY, BERNARD WILLIAMS, THOMAS HUGHES, DALE SLEDGE, and MITCHELL THOMAS. Good luck to them in their training...Congratulations to Clerk JOHN BARRY whose daughter, PEGGY, was married to ANTHONY MARCINIAK on April 26. A reception was held at St. Mary Byzantine hall...Motorman ALEX KOMIS, who recently returned from the sick list, went on vacation and he and his wife went down to Miami Beach to soak up the sunshine and get a good rest...Clerk JOHN MORAN, Loomis Street, received a passenger commendation recently for helping a passenger in finding his lost legion cap...Motorman and Mrs. JOE DOYLE held a family birthday party for their daughter, PATTY ANN, who celebrated her first birthday recently...Retired Assignment Agent JERE VINZENS is on the go again. She is visiting her daughter and son-in-law in Los Alamitos, California, for a few weeks.

- Verna Hartney

SOUTH SHOPS -

On May 4 Mr. and Mrs. IRVIN KRAULEDIS Sr. celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary and were honored at an open house party. Their son, IRVIN Jr., came in from California on military leave to help celebrate the occasion which was attended by many friends and relatives. During the festivities, Irvin and Pauline announced the engagement and wedding date of their younger son, PAUL, to DIANE ANIGNONE. Attending from the shops were Mr. and Mrs. RALPH KEANE--Ralph was Irv's bartender--and Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT BURTON. A gay time was had by all... HENRY KOLAR went on a fishing trip to Missouri. He had a great time, catching one of the biggest fish there. Henry received a citation from the state, not for the fish, but for doing 85 miles an hour in a 65 mile zone. Just like him to do everything big. Speaking about doing things big, the retirement party Kolar planned for MURPHY, carpenter, and FRANK STEINER was a huge success with a big turnout...MICHAEL R. HANNIGAN, the son of RICHARD HANNIGAN, painter, South Shops, was recently named Junior Mayor of Chicago for a day. Michael is an honor student at Gordon Technical High school and plans to become a microbioligist.

- Frank Sprovieri

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE MUNYER, Forest Park, on the birth of their son, KENNETH MICHAEL. Mom and the baby are doing fine but George is still shook over the happy event...Best wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to JIM DURR, Forest Park, who is at home recuperating from a serious illness...The stork is making practice runs over the HOBBS' residence as JACK, Forest Park, and his wife await the birth of their third child... Happy to hear Mrs. LAURENT, the wife of TONY LAURENT, Forest Park, is at home and doing fine after undergoing surgery...Back at work after enjoying an early spring vacation are CHESTER MAZUR and MIKE VASQUEZ, Forest Park...Our condolences to the family of CLIFF VANDERVEST, Wilson, on the passing of their father...Congratulations to S. RITA, Congress, who became a grandfather for the first time when his daughter presented him with a baby girl. All the boys are still waiting for their cigars... Wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to G. GRILLARTE and S. SELVAGGIO, Congress, who are in the hospital...Our sympathy to C. SCALES, Congress, and his family on the passing of his mother-in-law. Also, our regrets to F. RIO, Congress, whose brother passed away, and to A. VIRGILIO, Congress, whose brother passed away in Italy...Congratulations to D. LASIEWICZ, D. FABIAN, and L. RICHARDS, Congress, on their promotion to "B" repairmen...Hearty welcome from all the boys at Congress to D. ARTIS, new car serviceman...A. LONG stopped in to pay all his friends a visit. Al sure looks great...Up the ladder of success goes R. GALLARDO, Congress, who was promoted to "A" repairman...TERRY DOLAN, while on furlough, paid us a surprise visit at Congress. Terry sure does look good in his uniform...A change in seasons also brings a change in shop personnel. Among those on the move were Q. BONDS, W. THORNTON, and E. SHIELDS who will be going to the new Dan Ryan Shop; L. SLAY chose Congress as did S. JACKSON, and A. WHITE went to Kimball with the title of repairman. Also on the move to Congress are new car

THIS BEAUTIFUL bride is CAROL ANN CIESLA, the daughter of North Park Operator and Mrs. ROBERT CIESLA. She is pictured here in her wedding gown after her marriage to Mr. HUGH COLBURN Jr. on October 19, 1968, at Transfiguration of Our Lord Catholic church.

ANYONE FOR a pheasant dinner? Pensioner LE ROY PEDERSON, formerly of North Park Station, is shown with two beauties that were shot by him while hunting near Decatur, Michigan, where he now resides.

servicemen R. SMITH, R. KESSLER, and L. FIELDS...The night shift at Congress will never be the same once J. DANIELS and M. FAHEY get started...Anyone interested in learning the fine points of shooting pool should contact M. COYLE. Matt conducts a Friday night class.

- Ray Brzezek

69TH STREET -

I'll bet you are bursting with pride Mrs. YOUNG now that EDWARD Jr. is in the naval reserve. He is probably down in Pensacola, Florida, showing the fellows how to fly. Mrs. Young, I heard that you grounded MICKEY just because he got a ticket for driving the family car where only buses could go. What did you expect from a bus driver?.. Space news--BARBER and CHESTER, loaders at 67th and California, made a deal with HENNESSEY to get the balloons out of the trees when Maria High school releases some 400 of them. Hennessey chickened out, as usual, when he found out they were going to tie them to him and make him the first bus loader on the moon. He then tried to proposition them into selling them for ten cents each (for a third of the take). He hasn't changed a bit from the days when he was my conductor and screamed if we took in one extra fare...Have you noticed the new look on RAY FELTZ? He lost more than 30 pounds since the first of the year. Also, our sincere sympathy to you on the loss of your brother, EMIL, who was a loader at Archer. To the family of Pensioner C. KRAUSE may we extend our deepest sympathy. The silent reaper also took the mother of S. LUKASIK, and to him and his family we extend our deepest sympathy...Pensioner ALEX CHESHIRE, now living in Santa Monica, California, dropped in to visit awhile. All you fellows on pension or disability write me a line or two, your friends would certainly like to hear from you and it would give me some news for the column...Instructor SWANSON says we should take our time and have patience with our half fare elderly riders. One of them may be your buddy's mom or dad...JIMMY AHERN, top clerk in the repair department, reports that HOWARD GOERNER was expecting an addition to his family in April. His brother, GEORGE GOERNER, is back home after a two-year hitch in the navy. He served on an LST, the USS Vernon County. Good to have you back, fellow...JOE GAMEN, retired repair foreman, was up for a visit and says hello to all the fellows he missed. He now makes his home in Florida...BILL LORENZEN took a Florida vacation just swimming, fishing, and girl watching. Jim said he had a good chance to catch some big fish if Bill's size didn't scare them away...At this writing, FRANK ANDREK, MIKE MORAN, BILL SIEJA, and FRANK VERMAN are on the sick list. We wish them a speedy recovery for there is a lot of work for them to do... Congratulations to ART ORMORD and ANDY TYSON, clerk at South Shops, on their retirement. We wish them many long years of health and happiness...On vacation at this time are: DENNIS DOOLEY, PAT HEALY, TOM MOORE, LEO GLOMBRICKI, DENNIS DOUGHERTY, JERRY KASONSKI, and MARTY GRIFFIN. Marty said he was going to Florida and catch some big fish that he could be proud of. Good luck to all of you, and I hope you enjoy every minute of your vacations...Let's keep the drivers seat and steering wheels clean. That oil and grease sure raises heck with our new uniforms...Keep your noses clean as old Hedda writes down all the news fellows. Don't forget that this is your column, so drop me a line or note in care of 69th Street Transit News.

- Arthur P. Buesing

77TH STREET -

I know I'll get killed about this late news, but here it is anyway. On March 22, Operator NORMAN LEE became the proud father of a little boy, NORMAN L. LEE III...Operator ROBERT POWELL went to New York for the weekend, and his family went with him to make sure he returned...ROY SHORES Jr., the son of Operator ROY SHORES, was made an altar boy and served his first Sunday mass on May 4 at St. Francis DePaula church...Operator CLIFTON SERVANT has returned from a speaking engagement at Clark university in Atlanta, Georgia. He went as a guest of his cousin, State Representative JULIAN BOND. His daughter, JOY, an acrobatic cheer leader at Clark, was very proud of her old dad...A bit of sad news--MICHAEL KITCHENS, the brother of Operator BOOKER BYERS, was killed in Viet Nam. He was only 19 years of age and had been in the marines for only a short time...In closing, here is something for my leaders. Somewhere between starting and quitting time, without infringing too much on lunch period, coffee breaks, rest periods, story-telling, ticket selling, and vacation planning, it is requested that each of you find some time that can be set aside for picking up passengers. That time is to be known as work period...See you next month.

- Amos Foster

PENSIONERS MEET

THE DIVISION 308 Pensioners Club of Chicago will hold its next regular meeting at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 17, on the 13th floor at 32 W. Randolph street. All retired members of Division 308 are invited to attend these meetings which are held the third Thursday of each month at the above time and address.

The CTA Pensioners Club of St. Petersburg, Florida, will hold its next regular meeting at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 1, at the Odd Fellows Hall, 4140 16th street, north, St. Petersburg. All CTA pensioners living in that vicinity are invited to attend these meetings which are held the first Tuesday of each month at the above time and address.

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News Briefs

Bus Operator is Wilson College Top Graduate

77TH STREET Operator Michael D. McKnight was named as the top graduate enrolled in business courses at the Wilson Campus of Chicago City college. He was chosen on the basis of both his academic accomplishments and his service to the community. McKnight is an honor student and has been active as a tutor in the Wilson Campus tutorial program for residents of the community. He has been a bus operator at 77th Street since June, 1967.

RECENT CTA ADDITIONS TO THE ARMED FORCES

DAQUILANTE, D., Operator, North Avenue
FILARSKI, R. A., Repairer, Kedzie
HOFFERT, M. J., Vac. Rel. Clerk, Surf. System
JONES, A. L., Operator, 69th Street
LAMPKIN, C. T., Operator, 69th Street
LUSTIG, S. M., Repairer, Keeler
McENANEY, J. P., Serviceman, 69th Street
MONTGOMERY, L., Operator, Beverly
NORFLEET, B., Operator, Limits
RADCLIFF, B. S., Conductor, West Section
ROGERS, C., Serviceman, 61st Street
ROSE, W. R., Repairer, Keeler
SCHULTZ, W. J., Operator, Beverly
SKIPPER, J. C., Operator, Kedzie
WILKINS, E., Operator, 77th Street

RECENTLY RETURNED

AVRAM, R. V., Shop Clerk II, South Shops
BURNS, R. L., Operator, Archer
CARRETHERS, C. F., Operator, 69th Street
CASEY, L. T., Serviceman, 69th Street
CHURCH, J. E., Operator, Limits
FIORITO, J. D., Transfer Counter, Accounting
JANKOWSKI, P. C., Stock Clerk I, Stores
KYLE, B., Serviceman, Kedzie
LELCESONA, J. H., Serviceman, 52nd Street
SWOPE, R. L., Operator, North Avenue
WILLIAMS, B. M., Serviceman, Kedzie

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Nature Center Project Completed With CTA Aid

SEEKING ASSISTANCE in completing a nature center at Raymond school, 3663 S. Wabash, a teacher turned to the Beeline of the Chicago Daily News with an unusual request. The school received 35 metal drums which were to be cut in two, buried in the ground, filled with soil, and planted with flowers, but came to a dead end in efforts to get the drums cut. Sheet Metal Workers Union No. 115 approached CTA with the request and the drums were hauled by CTA to South Shops where the job was completed. Cutting one of the drums is Acetylene Welder Stanley Kruszynski.

New Turnstiles Accept 3 Coin Denominations

TWENTY-FIVE NEW turnstiles that accept any combination of dimes, quarters, and nickels for paying fares and buying transfers are being installed at busy Loop "L" and subway stations. An additional 44 turnstiles will be used at stations of the Kennedy and Dan Ryan routes, at Ashland on the Englewood route, and at Clinton on the Lake route. Later, 65 turnstiles will be added at important stations throughout the system. The turnstiles were designed by CTA's Research and Planning Department and the Tiltman-Langley company of London, England, and cost $1,400 each.

Transportation Services Coordinated

CTA-IC Transfer Effective July 28

A MASS transportation "first" for Chicagoland started Monday, July 28, when CTA and the Illinois Central railroad began testing a transfer validation plan at two IC stations.

Gateways for the CTA-IC joint venture are the IC's Bryn Mawr commuter station, at 71st and Jeffery, and Randolph street station in downtown Chicago.

The plan provides a saving in cash and time for riders who begin and complete their trips on CTA with an intermediate ride on the IC. Previously, riders who used CTA service to either of the IC stations and then returned to CTA at the end of the IC ride payed separate CTA fares for each ride in addition to the regular train fare. With the new plan, CTA riders pay one CTA 40¢ fare plus 5¢ transfer charge and the regular IC fare.

To validate transfers, persons leaving either of the two IC stations must timestamp the CTA transfer in the special stamping machine at the IC station to permit a continuation ride on CTA without paying a second fare. The stamping machines installed at the two IC stations are similar to those used at rapid transit stations except that the time is stamped along the upper left edge of the transfer rather than across the top.

According to Chicago Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent, use of the new CTA-IC combination ride will cut travel time about 15 minutes for persons using CTA services for the entire trip. For example, a trip from 83rd and Jeffery to John Hancock Center, 875 N. Michigan, takes 56 minutes via CTA. By riding the IC for the middle portion of the trip, travel time can be reduced to 42 minutes.

"This transfer plan is another step in CTA's continuing effort to cooperate with other transit services to provide the best possible transportation for metropolitan Chicago," said DeMent. "We welcome this opportunity to work with the Illinois Central in making public transportation convenient and attractive."

Joining in making the announcement was Henry F. Davenport, IC vice-president passenger services. "Implementation of the transfer plan marks the fulfillment of a goal announced in 1967," said Davenport. "At that time the Illinois Central set out to cooperate with the CTA in finding improved ways to serve Chicago's transit needs. If this transfer validation test at two stations is successful the plan can be extended to other points of intersection of CTA and IC lines."

Greyhound to Serve 3 "L" Stations

GREYHOUND LINES--EAST and CTA recently entered into an agreement allowing Greyhound to use three CTA rapid stations as "satellite" terminals.

Under terms of the pact, Greyhound coaches from and to Chicago will stop at the Dempster Street Skokie Swift station, the Jefferson Park station on the Kennedy rapid transit line and the 95th street station on the Dan Ryan line. The tie-in will begin in early August at the Dempster Street station and later this year when operations begin on the other two facilities.

In operation, Greyhounds departing from the company's Loop terminal on Randolph Street would stop at the three stations as they leave Chicago. Coaches going north would tie in at Dempster, those going generally west would stop at Jefferson Park, while coaches bound for the east and southern United States would link up with the CTA at the 95th street station. Greyhounds arriving in Chicago would also use the stations as a stop on their way to the Loop.

Travelers will benefit substantially from the link up. Chicagoans will be able to board Greyhounds bound for Detroit, St. Louis, Memphis, New York--anywhere in the nation--without traveling into the busy Loop area.

For example, a South Side resident wishing to visit Detroit could reach the 95th street station in a few short minutes by CTA. There he would buy his Greyhound ticket and walk less than 100 feet to a waiting Greyhound bound for Detroit. Without any changes enroute, he would arrive directly in downtown Detroit in little more than four hours.

The number of Greyhounds using the rapid stations daily will be extensive. Greyhound is scheduling 24 arrivals and departures daily at 95th street. This includes Scenicruisers to and from Detroit, Pittsburgh, Memphis, St. Louis, New York City, and numerous other key cities.

Jefferson Park will be serviced by 10 arrivals and departures daily while Skokie Swift will accommodate 11 arrivals and departures.

A complete line of Greyhound tickets will be sold at all three stations at no extra cost. The ticket booths would be operated by Greyhound. The Skokie Swift station will also serve as a terminal for Greyhound's rapidly expanding package express service. It will provide convenient shipping and receiving facilities for north and northwest suburban industries.

CTA, City of Chicago Host

A PREVIEW of Chicago's new rapid transit facilities was made June 27 by City officials and transit industry representatives.

On board the first train operating in the Dan Ryan Expressway were Mayor Richard J. Daley, Board Chairman George L. DeMent, and representatives of the news media. The special two-car train, comprised of the first new air-conditioned stainless steel cars received from the Budd company, operated from the new Sox-35 Station to the 95 Station and back--a distance of 15 miles.

Additional demonstration trips on the Dan Ryan route were made for persons attending the annual meeting of the Institute for Rapid Transit. From their chartered buses, the group also saw construction progress in the median of the Kennedy Expressway and inspected the new subway station at Logan Square.

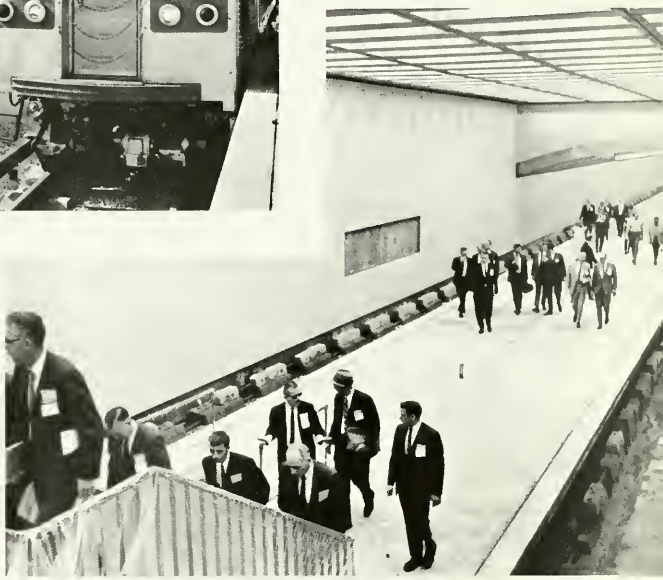
Following their tour of new CTA facilities, the group of more than 200 transportation experts and public officials returned to the Marriott hotel for the final session of a three-day conference, during which CTA and City of Chicago representatives were asked numerous questions regarding the new equipment and facilities.

Operation on the Kennedy and Dan Ryan rapid transit extensions will begin late in 1969.

THE SPECIAL train of stainless steel rapid transit cars is shown standing at the 95 Station in the Dan Ryan Expressway after passengers detrained to inspect the modern station, transportation office, and bus terminals.

Test Run on Dan Ryan Line

INSPECTING THE modern Logan Square subway station on the Kennedy extension (below) are transportation experts who were in Chicago attending the annual conference of the Institute for Rapid Transit.



MOTORISTS IN traffic-packed lanes on the Dan Ryan Expressway (above) were given a taste of the high-speed rapid transit which will begin operating late in 1969. On June 27, new air-conditioned cars shuttled between stations at 35th and 95th streets carrying City officials and transit industry representatives.

BEFORE MAKING their inspection trip, Mayor Richard J. Daley and Board Chairman George L. DeMent greet South Section Motorman Walter Jogerst.

Award Winners Receive $825.00 for Accepted Ideas

LETTING NO grass grow under their feet, CTAers have responded in a big way to the recent Suggestion Plan announcement of a new award for each adopted suggestion.

The Suggestion Committee recently announced the adoption of 46 ideas, approving cash awards totaling $825 and an honorable mention award to each of the suggesters.

The new honorable mention award, a combination package containing a Zippo lighter and tape rule, may be chosen instead of the $7.00 Jewel-Osco gift certificate. Suggesters are advised to indicate their choice of an award on the suggestion blank when they submit their idea or within two weeks after adopted suggestions are announced on bulletin boards.

Winning cash awards of $100 on more were three Shops and Equipment Department employes at South Shops--Leroy J. Albers won $115 for his adopted idea and Charles W. Gerard and Larry Jareckas split $200 for the joint suggestion which they submitted.

Other cash award winners, all of them in the S&E Department at South Shops, include Dermont Foley and Joseph Virruso who shared a $100 award; Robert Burton and Vernon Howe who won $40 each; Alex F. Andrulis who was awarded $30, and John Cacciato, Joseph Fano, and Max R. Kuchan Jr. who won $25 each.

Eight employes who submitted their second adoptable suggestion with a year and received $25 cash awards include: General Office—Regina Daren, Medical; James E. McCoy, Real Estate; William H. Vigus, Engineering, and Arlene Zittman, Public & Employe Relations. By submitting five adoptable suggestions within a year, Miss Zittman became qualified to receive two $25 awards. Shops & Equipment—Patricia A. Dunek, Skokie Shops; Max R. Kuchan Jr., South Shops, and Ray Mathis, South Shops. Electrical Department—William F. Glassner, Blue Island.

The adoption of suggestions submitted by these 24 employes entitled them to receive either of the two honorable mention awards: General Office—Mel Alexander, Public Information; Regina Daren, Medical, Edward Donahue, Insurance; Margaret Hanson, Purchasing; Eileen Neurauter, Public Information; John Piwowarczyk, Reproduction Services; Richard Redding, Insurance; Gerald J. Smith, Reproduction Services; Mary Stomner, Public Information; Sandy Terman, Traffic Planning; Rita L. Wantroba, Medical; William W. Winters, Executive; Leon Wool, Law, and Arlene Zittman, Public & Employe Relations. Shops & Equipment—Quenton D. Clark, Keeler; Ernest E. Gaeger, South Shops; Raymond Kura, South Shops; Ray Mathis, South Shops, and Patrick J. Nally, South Shops. Transportation—Leonard Beatty, 61st Street, and Joseph R. Jaros, Beverly. Utility—Robert Christman and John C. Miller, Blue Island. Electrical—Richard L. Rock, Blue Island.

11 CTA LOCATIONS CITED FOR 1968 SAFETY RECORDS

AT THE Greater Chicago Safety Council annual dinner, 11 CTA operating locations were cited for reducing their accident experience in 1968 as compared to the previous year. Awards were presented in two categories—industrial safety and commercial vehicle safety—to a total of 41 fleet-operating companies.

A winner of safety awards in both categories was the CTA Utility & Emergency Service Division. Other winners of the industrial safety award were Security Operations, Electrical Department, and Skokie Shops.

In the category of commerical vehicle safety, seven CTA operating stations received plaques. They were Archer, Beverly, Keeler, Lawndale, Limits, 69th Street, and 77th Street.

Shown here with Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn are supervisory personnel representing eight locations which were cited by the Safety Council. They are, from left: J. J. Roach, Utility & Emergency Service superintendent; S. J. Bitel, Keeler Station superintendent; H. P. Braun, Lawndale Station assistant superintendent; J. E. Will, Beverly Station assistant superintendent; J. A. Knerr, 77th Street Station superintendent; G. T. May, Limits Station superintendent; T. F. Screen, 69th Street Station superintendent, and M. F. Harrington, Archer Station superintendent.

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin, CTA Medical Consultant

ANEMIA

"BLOOD IS LIFE" is a very true saying. The term "anemia" comes from the Greek, meaning without blood, probably indicating thin or watery blood rather than a complete loss of blood. Actually, anemia indicates either a reduction in the amount of hemoglobin in each red cell or a reduction in the number of red cells, or both, as is usually the case.

Knowing the composition of blood will give us a better understanding of this subject. Normal blood consists of a circulating liquid plasma which acts as a vehicle for the red blood cells, white blood corpuscles, blood platelets, various chemicals such as bile, potassium, sodium, and many other chemical products. The red blood cells carry the hemoglobin or iron and oxygen. The white corpuscles are the policemen of the body and are increased in number to fight or destroy any infection which tries to invade the body.

The normal blood count shows 4,500,000 to 5,000,000 red cells with 13.5 to 15 grams of hemoglobin per cubic millimeter and white cells of about 7,000 to 8,000. The bone marrow is the main factory which produces the red cells. These cells are constantly being replaced. The average red cell only lives 30 to 60 days and then is replaced by a new cell. It has been calculated that about 2,500,000 red cells are produced every second. The liver produces fibrinogen, an important element of red cells which prevents the blood from becoming too thin or watery. Each red cell contains a high percentage of hemoglobin which picks up oxygen from the air we breathe in through our lungs, and carries it in the blood stream to all our body tissues. The body cannot function without oxygen. Therefore, when anemia reduces the number of red blood cells and the amount of hemoglobin, the blood can no longer carry enough oxygen for our body needs.

The causes of anemia are numerous. Among them are improper diet, faulty absorption of food, loss of blood due to bleeding, faulty production of blood cells due to abnormal bone marrow, certain infections, and diseases of the blood such as leukemia, cancer, and parasites. The bone marrow can also be damaged by certain drugs.

The symptoms of anemia, in general, are about the same in most any type of anemia. The most common manifestations are pallor, headaches, weakness, lack of energy, dizziness, shortness of breath, loss of appetite, and numbness or tingling of the extremities.

The diagnosis of anemia is easily made from the above symptoms, plus a study of the blood, including a count, blood volume, blood chemistry, and sometimes a bone marrow examination plus a careful history and physical examination.

There are many types of anemia. Time prevents a detailed discussion of the various forms. One common type of anemia is one in which there is a loss in the total number of red cells, even though there is a normal amount of hemoglobin in each cell. A good example of this type is where there is bleeding from injury, laceration, or internal bleeding from a stomach ulcer or hemorrhoids. The other common type is seen where the production of red cells is faulty due to bone marrow injury or disease. There may be types due to faulty diets and faulty absorption of iron. Secondary anemias usually mean the anemia is secondary to a known cause. Perhaps the most "talked about" anemia is pernicious anemia. It is chronic in nature and has most of the symptoms given above plus the absence of hydrochloric acid in the stomach.

The treatment of anemia naturally depends upon the cause. Fortunately pernicious anemia can be treated successfully with vitamin B12 injections. On the other hand, if there has been a severe loss of blood due to lacerated blood vessels or hemorrhage from some other accidental cause, the proper procedure is to replace the loss of blood by transfusion. If there is some disorder in the normal production of blood, this must be determined and treated accordingly.

If you suspect anemia, do not waste time by taking a "shot-gun mixture" of vitamins for tired blood. The sensible thing to do is to see your family doctor for a complete blood count and physical examination. He will then place you on proper management.

CLARK V. JOHNSON, supervisor of schedule clerks: "Our most unusual vacation was a tour of the Caribbean Islands on our 25th anniversary. Usually silver wedding celebrations are large affairs attended by relatives and friends bearing silver gifts. We chose to treat ourselves to a memorable vacation under silver moonlight."

RUTH HAVLIK, stenographer III: "One of the most unusual vacations I've taken was my trip by bus to the northeast French-Canadian area called the Gaspe Peninsula. Though we started out on the familiar Greyhound, the farther into Canada we went, the older and more foreign the buses became, and the destinations were strange, as the people spoke little English."

STEVE LAWLOR, traffic checker: "It happened in Las Vegas in 1965. We had heard a lot about the 'Strip' and had to see it for ourselves to believe it. The motel suites were gorgeous and very reasonable and in every show we watched, a group of beautiful performers--all young females--would appear in their birthday suits. I won't forget that for awhile."

QUESTION: What was the most unusual vacation you've ever had?

LOCATION: Schedule-Traffic Department **INQUIRING REPORTER:** Kay Batina

WALTER SCHWEINFURTH, traffic clerk (with Reporter Kay Batina): "It was my first trip to Europe. The difference in the way of life and especially the foreign monies led to it being so unusual. The many historic places of interest and the chaotic experience with shillings, lire, marks, francs, and so many more was something never to be forgotten. Traveling in the good old U.S.A. can never compare with crossing each border and finding a new language and currency problem."

WILLIAM P. DEVEREUX, schedule maker: "The most unusual vacation I ever had was when I visited Hawaii. The long air trip plus the pleasant welcome we all received from the natives was indeed a surprise. The scenery was beautiful and the shows that were put on for us were something to always remember."

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING -

RAY SCHRAMM, accounts payable supervisor, returned to work after a seven-month absence due to illness. His group gave him the "red carpet treatment" and surprised him with welcome back posters, candy, and best wishes. We are all happy to see him back at his desk...RUTH HAVLIK, secretarial steno to the general accountant, transferred to the Schedule Department to succeed ESTHER O'BRIEN who retired on June 1. We wish her well in her new assignment as secretary to Mr. L. C. DUTTON, schedule department superintendent.

(Tabulating) -

The family of EMIL RUSINAK is delighted to have their son, GARY, home from Viet Nam on a 30-day leave. Gary has extended his Viet Nam tour of duty for another 6 months and will leave on July 2 for San Bernardino and then to Viet Nam...KAREN NANCY ROMAS was graduated from Notre Dame High school on June 4. Karen is the lovely daughter of HELEN ROMAS, Key Punch, and MITCHELL ROMAS, Kedzie Shops. Congratulations, Karen.

- Evelyn Leu

(Revenue) -

With the school semester ending and summer at its start, we find many family vacations in full swing. For JOYCE COLEMAN, the daughter of JOSEPHINE COLEMAN, balance clerk, her recent graduation from Our Lady of Bethlehem academy for girls brought her a memorable vacation gift. Jo and Joyce toured Washington, D.C., Williamsburg, Virginia, Silverspring, Maryland, and New York City. Some of the highlights they remember included a ringside seat in the senate and a meeting with Jacqueline Onassis at the Arlington Cemetery...For love of that "Outdoor Life", LOU BIELSKI spent a refreshing two weeks in Manitowish Waters, Wisconsin. We might believe the story about all those northerns, muskies, and walleyes Lou caught, but its those big ones that got away that we question just a little bit!..Birthday candles flamed brightly for JUNE NOREN's June 11 celebration. How many candles were there--sixteen?..A good luck cheer is extended to RUTH HAVLIK who is now a secretary in the Schedule Department. Miss you, though, and thanks for all the help with the T.N. letters...A speedy recovery is hoped for LORRAINE McEVILLY who is ill at home...Congratulations are in order to those happy grandparents HARRY F. BURDA, Property Accounting, and his wife, MILDRED. Their joy is ANNE MARIE born May 22. The proud parents are DWANE BURDA, formerly of General Accounting, and his wife, FRAN...Hello to our CTA retiree, RUTH HUGHES. Ruth is presently in Oak Forest hospital but sends greetings to all her many Revenue friends. Good to hear from you, Ruth.

- Clotilde Mrzena

(Payroll) -

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to ROSEMARY KENNY upon the loss of her husband, PATRICK, who passed away May 24 after a long illness. On May 28, Mrs. Kenny, mother of the late Patrick, was called to her eternal rest. Our thoughts and prayers go to the bereaved family...If you think you are seeing double, you may just be right, JEANNE MARIE BIZIK, new payroll clerk, is twin sister to JACQUELINE MARGARET BIZIK, comptometer operator, Revenue, and they look enough alike to be confusing to us...At this printing your scribe will be in Spain - so until the next copy--adios amigos...Pensioner ARTHUR BRESIN has been vacationing in California with his wife, MARIE, for the past four months, making their headquarters in Glendale. They recently visited Pensioners BEN RATNER and Mr. SALISBURY. They report California still very much on the scene despite all the reports of it disappearing into the ocean. They also visited the Dutch community of Solvang, Universal Studios, Capistrano, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Covina, as well as the neighboring areas around Glendale.

- Clara Lawrence

BEVERLY -

Congratulations to Operator JOHN KING who was elected to be our union representative at Beverly and will stand up for all the men...We also salute Operator GUS WRIGHT who had the courage to say, "the best man won."..When we talk of union stewards, we can't help but think of the tough tobacco chewing old timers of past years like JOHN (Baldy) MALONEY and TOMMY COUGHLIN. They don't make men like them any more, but their spirit still lives on. Being a union steward is not an easy job, listening to all the gripes and complaints and still keeping your cool. Let's be like Gus Wright, and give John King a pat on the back and a hand shake, for we know he will represent all of us to the best of his ability. Good luck, John...Don't forget the "Big Retreat"

MR. AND Mrs. WALTER BANDUSKY proudly display gifts they received on their 60th wedding anniversary, June 12, a flag which has flown over our nation's capitol and a certificate of congratulations from 12th Ward Alderman Donald T. Swinarski. Other congratulatory messages were received from Mayor Richard J. Daley and Secretary of State Paul Powell. A former motorman out of Archer and 69th Street who retired in 1953, Walter and his wife were honored at a dinner party at Tokar's Supper club in Chicago Ridge.

HARRIET HERMAN, the daughter of IRENE HERMAN, Purchasing Department, was graduated from Roycemore High school in Evanston. An honor student who rated second in her class, she was awarded a State Grant and has plans to attend Brandeis university in Massachussetts on a scholarship.

MARY ANN PARRILLO, the daughter of Car Serviceman NELLO PARRILLO, Congress, was graduated from Burham Elementary school and has plans to enter Maine East High school in September.

DEBRA ANN DUNKIN, the daughter of Foreman CHARLES DUNKIN, Track, West Shops, was recently graduated from Loretto Catholic High school.

at Notre Dame, Indiana, August 15 to 17--a weekend you'll never forget. There will be 1,200 men from all over the country, and the Reverend Michael Foran is hoping 100 men will be from the CTA. Contact Pensioner ERNIE TOCCI or your scribe if you plan to go or if you need a ride. The food is great, the rooms and campus are beautiful, and you will meet men who will enrich your life and make you glad you came while you still have the time. Hoping to see and hear from all of you.

- Tom Daniels

CONGRESS (Agents) -

May 15 was the 21st wedding anniversary of Clerk JOSEPH and MARIE MARKOS, but they waited until May 22 to celebrate when their daughter, CINDY, made her Confirmation. Mrs. ROBERT KOSTER, the wife of Lake Street Motorman ROBERT KOSTER, was her sponsor. Cindy was delighted with her wristwatch and gifts of money. Joe and Marie received a present that was something to dream on. ..Motorman A. WOODS is in Roosevelt hospital. He wishes to thank his co-workers for their thoughtfulness...EILEEN CARMODY was off sick, but is back and making plans for the family's vacation in Ireland. They will be there in time to help Eileen's mother, Mrs. BRIDGET SHEEHAN, celebrate her 80th birthday. Happy birthday, dear lady, and many more...The children of Agent FAY CAPRIO feted her on Mother's day with orchids, pink champagne, and dinner at the Palmer House...Congratulations to THOMAS BARRETT, student agent, who was graduated from DePaul university. Tom is leaving us to take another position...A great big welcome to those who have recently joined our group. We hope that you will share your happy times with us...Agent BETTY SEGERSON spent her vacation being hostess to her sister who came from London, England... Agent HELEN SHANNON is traveling about England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales. She will also visit with her brother who is a school master in England. Many happy times will be remembered when she has tea with her old and dear friends...Our deepest sympathy to the family of CURTIN ROSBY. His sudden passing was a surprise to his co-workers. The family took him back to Louisiana for interment...Porter JOHN SARDOLAS and his wife, ELIZABETH, became the proud parents of a baby boy, PETER, who weighed 8 pounds 14 ounces. Porter PETER SANGER is the baby's uncle, and before long, Peter Sardolas will have a new cousin...Porter JAMES CLARK and his wife were both injured in an accident. In spite of their misfortune, they were very fortunate...Porter BANALS' daughter sent her parents a beautiful letter in which she expressed her appreciation in a most unusual way...Pensioner MOLLY SHIELDS has been having painful, sad, and glad experiences, all about the same time. On May 27, Molly went to the hospital for the second time this year. She was in St. Anne hospital for eye surgery. On Sunday, June 1, Molly's second grandchild, KATHLEEN STEVENS, was graduated from St. Catherine of Sienna High school, and will continue her education on a scholarship. DANNY STEVENS, her brother, was graduated from Our Lady Help of Christian Grade school. On June 8, another grandson of Molly's, Student Agent WILLIAM STEVENS, was graduated from Loyola university. On August 16 he will be married to a charming young lady he met while attending Georgetown university. They are going to spend two years with the Peace Corps. Thursday, June 25, was a sad day for Molly when she received a cablegram from Cork, Ireland, with news that her sister, Mrs. LENA O'CONNOR, passed away. Our deepest sympathy to Molly and her family. Molly is leaving for Ireland on July 16 where she will join her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. KEARNES of San Francisco. Molly's husband, THOMAS SHIELDS, a pensioner and former board member at West Towns, had a grandson, ANTON GIGER, who was graduated from Fenwick High school on June 1...Student Agent THOMAS COZZI was happy to hear that he was on the Dean's honor list. He is a premed student...Student Agent BARBARA POSUCH was graduated on June 8 from Mundelein college. She received a trip to Hawaii as one of her graduation presents. Barbara will begin her career as a teacher at St. Hughes Grade

school in Lyons, Illinois, in September...Agent WALTER STASULAS and his family are spending their vacation going on short trips...Lake Street Conductor GREGORY RICHARDSON and OZELLA BANKS were married on Saturday, June 14, at Holy Temple church. The bride was very beautiful in her cathedral length gown and veil. She was attended by a maid of honor, seven bridesmaids, and a little flower girl who wore gowns of a beautiful shade of lilac. The little ring bearer was too cute for words in his tuxedo. The bridegroom's father, Motorman JOSEPH RICHARDSON, Douglas, had anxious moments as all fathers of brides and grooms. Student Agent PAMELA BANKS, a sister of the bride, was one of the bridesmaids. The mothers of the bride and groom were radiantly happy as they helped greet the 250 guests that were invited to the reception at the Keymans Club.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL (General Office) -

Sunday, September 21, is the date to remember. The General Office picnic will be held at Bemis Woods, South, east of the Tri-State Tollway on U.S. 34 (Ogden Avenue). The grove offers a shelter area, ball diamond, bike trail, and Meadow Lark golf course adjoins it. All of this along with the guarantee of great weather offers a wonderful day for all. Final arrangements are being made by our committee which consists of GEORGE CHRISTENSEN, ROY KUTCHINS, and BILL REHDER. They will be very happy to answer any questions you might have and they will also have maps of the area available. We're looking forward to seeing everyone this year!..Congratulations and best wishes to RAY and JOAN BIENIASZ who were married on June 14. Their two-week honeymoon was spent in Miami Beach and New Orleans...MARTY IMBRA and his wife spent a wonderful weekend in Las Vegas with a few other couples. They could have spent a few more days to see all the shows, but did see Frank Sinatra who they truly enjoyed...MIKE McKENNA, former signal draftsman, was in visiting recently. Cleveland, Ohio, surely agrees with him. He enjoys his new job and has a wonderful home already... Your reporter, DONNA KAMINSKI, is happy to announce she will be leaving to await the birth of her first child which is expected in late August. I'm very very pleased to have KAY McALISTER taking over as reporter. She has written for the Transit News in the past so we can all look forward to having a wonderful column. She needs everyone's help, so keep the news coming...ROY KUTCHIN's son was graduated from Roosevelt university in June and received a degree in business administration.

- Donna Kaminski

ENGINEERING—RESEARCH & PLANNING -

Wedding bells were busy this month ringing for two marriages in our department. Mr. PAUL MINOGUE, administrative engineer, announced the marriage of his daughter, SUSAN, to GEORGE CLAING. The ceremony took place at St. Bernadene's church in Forest Park and the reception was held at Oak Park Arms hotel. George, who is in the Army, was unexpectedly sent to Korea a week after the wedding. Susan will be patiently awaiting his return. Mr. Minogue took a week's vacation immediately following the marriage. Could it have been to settle his nerves? Just one week later on May 10, the second set of wedding bells rang for our stenographer, LINDA LE MONNIER (formerly LINDA GIERLASINSKI). St. Gall's church opened their doors to a beautiful ceremony for BILL and Linda. In the evening, dinner and dancing was enjoyed at Pressman hall. Bill, who attends Chicago State college, had to return to school on the following Wednesday, therefore, they were only limited to three glorious days of their honeymoon at "The Abbey" in Wisconsin. From all of us to both couples, best wishes and many happy years together... The annual Engineering retirement party was held this year on May 8 at the Peacock Room in Cicero, Illinois. There were 24 retirees from June, 1968, to May, 1969, who were honored at this dinner. Not all were able to attend, but the ones that did had an enjoyable time. E. E. OLMSTEAD, superintendent of Engineering, was a big hit with his short speech. The people dined, danced, and drank to their heart's content and the community singing at the refreshment stand improved as the evening progressed. The orchestra ran the gauntlet from the Boog-a-loo to Polkas and good old-fashioned ballroom dancing. Everyone, including many employes from various departments, enjoy the usual good time each year at this doing. JACK O'REILLY seemed to sum up the evening the best when he said, "It was just like a Polish wedding--only minus the bride."..Mr. KALOGERAS just returned from a week of vacation. He spent his time doing some fishing at Lac Viewx Desert, but was unable to give us any juicy fish stories. That's alright, we're glad to hear you had a good time without roughing it...Best wishes go to ASHWIN PATEL, graduate trainee, who was just transferred to the Transportation Department. He will be serving our public with a hearty smile each day. Good luck to you in your new bus driving experience...Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. LEONARD on the arrival of their first baby boy on May 20. PEGGY was a stenographer in our department until she resigned to await a blessed event...Congratulations are also in order to WALLY GAEDTKE who was promoted to superintendent of structures. He will now be working at West Shops. We'll all miss you in our homestead, but we're happy to know that you made a big step forward. More congratulations are extended to PAUL MINOGUE who was promoted to administrative engineer of the Engineering Department...Our deepest sympathy is extended to FLORENCE JANCZURA, clerk II, who lost her father on May 29, and to Paul Minogue, administrative engineer, whose mother passed away on June 3...HERMAN JAMES put his order in to Santa Claus for Christmas already. Wish we knew about this sooner, Herman, you would have had a much larger list to hand to the dear "ole" bearded man. At this writing, he is enjoying his vacation in Santa Claus, Indiana...Congratulations are in order to DALE MANGELSDORFF. He was transferred to the Electrical Department as an apprentice testing technician but before he could transfer himself physically, he was promoted to Transit Technician III in the Research and Planning Department. We all wish you a lot of luck on your new position.

(West Shops) -

Your reporter, MARY GALLON, apologizes for neglecting some news items last month. To catch up, I'm including these items this time. EDWARD PETERSON, plumber, celebrated the arrival of a baby girl recently. It was said that the little one had to struggle to get here and that Ed's wife had a rather bad time of it. Everyone came through though and I bet the Petersons are having the time of their lives with their new daughter. Congratulations, Ed!..The annual Plumber's Picnic was held at Palos Woods (South),

119th and Mannheim Road, on June 29. In the next issue I'll fill everyone in on the picnic highlights and happenings. ..Here is another blessed event I forgot to put in last issue. The daughter of DWIGHT TURNER, assistant foreman in the Plant Equipment Maintenance Department, had a baby girl recently. As of this writing the baby is about a month and a half old, and can still be called a new born babe. Congratulations to the mother and the proud grandparents. ..There were a couple of apprenticeships that were completed in the company. S. F. WICKERT, steamfitter apprentice, has completed his apprenticeship and is now in the ranks of the rest of the steamfitters. E. L. ROUSE, machinist apprentice, completed his apprenticeship also and is now considered a full-fledged machinist. Maybe the next time I write about these fellows, they may be foremen or something. Until then, just continue to keep up the good work, guys!..West Shops certainly misses the presence of Ironworker Foreman E. P. WADE who was in the hospital recently and is now recuperating at home. Hope he'll be back with us soon...PAUL ANDERSON, clerk, is back and as spry as ever after a two-week vacation. He says he spent one week at home and one week in Canada fishing. I never did get to hear about how the catch was. Oh, well, maybe next time...A couple of sad spots in the column this issue. Condolences to JIM SINCLAIR, bricklayer foreman, whose sister passed away recently, and to JOHN SKROKO, carpenter, whose brother passed away. Mr. Skroko was also a brother-in-law to JOHN GUZOVICH, Frog Shop foreman.

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

I would like to extend congratulations to our board members upon their re-election. ANDY KOHLER and ED STOBART wish to thank the men for all the votes that kept them in office for another three years. For the boys who ran against these two fine men, a word of thanks for making a race out of it...Have you noticed lately how Operator RODERICH has been walking around with his chest out a mile? Well, it's no wonder, this young fellow became a father for the first time. On June 11 at 1:35 a.m. little JOHN was born. He came into this world at the weight of 6 pounds 5 ounces and was 20 inches long. The lovely Mrs. handled everything just fine, but Roderich seemed as if it were he who had to deliver the baby. At least one in the family is strong...On June 28 our fine friend JERRY KOWALSKI will marry AGNES CYNKAR of Norridge. This lovely couple will honeymoon in Wisconsin for several weeks and then will reside in Palatine...Pensioner ROLAND PREUSS entered the hospital this month for an operation on his eyes... Mr. and Mrs. H. GEFFE of Palatine announced the engagement of their daughter, SHARON, to THOM BERG, the son of TRYGVE BERG, operator on Austin avenue. No date has been set for the wedding...Operator and Mrs. ROAN became the proud grandparents of a beautiful blue eyed blonde baby girl of 6 pounds who was named DEBRA ANN ROAN. Parents, grandparents, and great grandparents are doing fine. ..Mr. and Mrs. GUS LEMAR became proud grandparents for the third time when a baby girl was born to BEVERLY DAVIS, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. LEMAR. The lovely baby was named KELLY JO DAVIS...Mrs. MALFESE, the wife of Operator ROCKY MALFESE, had a dispute with one of the passenger trains at Nagle and Northwest Highway--the train won of course. It happened as Mrs. Malfese's auto stalled on the tracks. She was able to save her dog, but the auto went to the junk yard. At least she wasn't hurt--that's the main thing...Flash--take notice golfers: our friend LES RAGE, night clerk, scored a hole-in-one at the Mission Hills Golf course, Sunday, June 15, on the par 3, 4th hole, 155 yards distance...A little note to LORRAINE KURINEC--we all understand Operator JOHN was on vacation a short time ago. Seems he enjoyed every minute of it--cleaning the house, fixing and painting and of course doing yard work. Now all of us would like to know when he is going to relax? I do believe you had the right idea Lorraine, keeping him busy because he's sure taking it easy around the depot...HENRY SCHOFFEN, janitor at Forest Glen, passed away suddenly on May 29.

- W. A. Henry (Don't call me Wilbur)

GENERAL OFFICE -

Again we can prove that our doll, MARY CLARKE, is not replaceable! Let us introduce ourselves, call us "Reggie" and "Murph", your two new co-reporters to replace Mary, and with the help from the departments we represent, we will try to do our best.

(Medical) -

ALBERT J. GLUECKERT, medical technician and former North Park bus operator, after 36 years of service took an early retirement effective May 1. We wish him the best of luck...Wedding bells rang for RITA PIECHNIK, registered X-ray technician, who became Mrs. DONALD WANTROBA on May 24 and honeymooned in the Carribean. Congratulations to the happy couple...A belated welcome is given to MARY LEDWITH, RN, who joined the medical staff on May 7...MARYANN DAUKSHIS, clerk-typist, was honored as queen for the year 1969 in the Armed Forces day spring formal at the USO on May 17. Maryann has been a volunteer worker for the USO for two years.

(Insurance) -

CAROL ARNDT and her husband flew down to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, where they spent a week of their vacation tanning in the sun. CATHY RASCHICK transferred to Stores department. We all wish her success in her new position...DOROTHY ETSCHEID of the Pension division received news that her daughter enlisted in the Women's Ma-

BEST WISHES for a long and happy retirement were extended to ROY D. EGBERT, electrical worker, South Shops, when he took his pension on June 1 after 45 years of service. Shown presenting him with a gift from his co-workers at a party in his honor are Electrical Worker Leader "A" ROBERT E. HACKBARTH (left) and Electrical Worker "A" CHARLES STARR.

rine Corp on May 9 and is presently taking basic training at Parris Island, South Carolina...DICK REDDING, Pension Division, became a grandfather for the third time when his daughter had a baby boy on April 4.

(Office Services) -

RAY HYNES, who retired on May 1, is now enjoying his new home in Largo, Florida. Best wishes are with him.

(Law) -

CEILE BAGGS and her husband took a three-week journey to Catholic Europe visiting the different shrines. At present, Ceile is confined to St. Ann's hospital and we are wishing her a speedy recovery...VAL NESSINGER received a second place team trophy in bowling. You sure can't keep a good man down. Keep it up, Val.

(Treasury) -

JAMES VERTEKLA, token clerk, took unto himself a bride on May 24. Best wishes to the newlywed couple... HERB HEIDEN is still confined to the VA hospital. We hear he is coming along fine. We sure miss you, Herb... PAT KENNY, after an extended illness, passed away on May 24. Our sympathy to his wife and family.

(Public Information) -

SHARON DAUKSHIS, charter section, was elected as chairman of the Junior Volunteers of the USO for 1969-70. She was also elected chairman for the conference to be held in California in 1970 and is secretary for the Junior Council of the USO and has been a member for the past three years...JANICE VANDERHORST was welcomed to the department as clerk-typist. Janice transferred from the Stores department...The welcome mat was extended to PATRICIA HALLAHAN and JEANNE FITZGERALD who transferred to the department...Congratulations to ARLENE ZITTMAN who was awarded an honorable mention and received a Jewel-Osco certificate for her suggestion...Good luck to BOB MICHALCZEWSKI who deserted us for the Reproduction Services department...Glad to see RUSS WARNSTEDT back to work. Now the suggestions will really be rolling in...Sorry to hear that CATHY GUZOVICH left the CTA to live in Monterey, California, with her sister. We wish you luck in the new environment.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

KEDZIE -

Summer vacation is here, and children will be playing in the streets and running out from between parked cars, so extreme alertness should be exercised during these months. Our great city of Chicago will have many visitors who will be asking questions on how to get to many different points of interest and what bus to take. Your courtesy will be appreciated by giving them the proper information to get to their desired locations. It will tend to make a good image for all our operators...Congratulations to Operator C. SMITH and his wife, WILLEAN, who are the proud parents of a baby girl, CHARLENE MARIE, born on May 15 at St. James hospital weighing 8 pounds $6\frac{1}{2}$ ounces...Congratulations to WARDELLA HARMON, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. RODGERS HARMON, who was united in marriage to Mr. C. MOORE on Saturday, May 31, at St. Matthew's church. The reception was held at the I.B.E.W. hall, and your reporter and his wife attended the gala affair and wished them many years of happiness. Operator HURLEY HUNTER was the disk jockey for the reception and played the music you wanted to hear. The food was delicious and there was plenty to drink. We had to leave early to attend the graduation party for our niece, THERESA ANN VITACCO, who was graduated from Our Lady of Angels school. She is the daughter of SOL and EVA VITACCO, formerly of Limits Station, now on pension and doing very well. He says hello to all his friends at Limits. Many friends and relatives were there to wish Theresa happiness and success in high school...Congratulations to JAMES FIORITO upon his marriage to Miss LINDA KAYE McDANIELS at St. Ladislaus church on June 7. James is the son of Mr. and Mrs. ADAM FIORITO, instructor of mechanics, South Shops, and the nephew of your reporter. The reception was held at Liugi's on West North avenue, and everyone there had a wonderful time. The music was terrific and the food was delicious. James was discharged from the army on May 7 after serving two years, one of which was spent in Viet Nam. To Jim and Kaye, we wish you all the best that life can give and may all your prayers be answered during your marriage...Congratulations to JAMES MERTINS who graduated from high school in Arlington Heights, Illinois. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. AL MERTINS, your reporters brother-in-law. Some relatives and friends were on hand to wish him well as he goes out into the world. Our deepest sympathy to the Mertins family on the loss of Al's mother, Mrs. B. MERTINS, and was laid to rest on May 22 at St. Joseph cemetery...To all the operators on the sick list, we wish you all a speedy recovery and hope to see all of you back on the job soon. They are, Operators WILLIAM KENNA, AL GNIEWEK, R. MISEK, and JOE KANE. Retired Janitor McNAMARA is on crutches after an accident, and is coming along fine, now. He says hello to everyone at Kedzie. I got the information from FRANK WEISS who is also a janitor, formerly at Armitage Depot...The gang at Kedzie will miss Janitor J. AMBROGIO, who will be the new janitor at our terminals on the West Side...Congratulations to President and Business Agent WARREN SCHOLL of Division 241, and all the other officers elected. May they lead us back to unity for a greater union and better CTA service for all. Congratulations to WILLIAM LARSEN, our board member and First Vice-President of Division 241, and to WILLIAM REYNOLDS who was re-elected as board member at Kedzie. I wish you both success in your new three year term...Remember your credit union. Save a little every payday so we can help another member who may be in need.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

The Round Robin softball league is off to a very enthusiastic start, especially around Keeler Station, where the Keeler Bulldogs have already established a 2-1 record. Victories over IBM Merchandise Mart, 17-9, and Lawndale, 10-7 (practice game). Our defeat was meted out by a very good North Park team with a score of 18-14. Naturally, we look forward to a very interesting season, and a winning one with such dynamic and inspirational leadership which is being delivered by our manager, Operator ARNETT HUNT...Station Superintendent MILES DeWITT and his wife, RUTH, are enjoying their vacation in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Operator JIM HALL is breathing the fresh salt air of coastal Florida. Night Mechanic JIM ALEXANDER and his wife, ROBERTA, are taking in the magnificent beauty of the Black Hills of South Dakota. We would also

like to wish Jim a belated birthday greeting. Jim celebrated by joining the Millionaires club. Repairman LOU OLANDESE started his vacation on June 15, Fathers day. Congratulations, both ways. Fathers day should be a very, very happy occasion for Lou because of ten lovely kids... Happy birthday to Operator LUCIOUS BANKS who celebrated his 50th birthday on June 6. Fifty more to go, Lucious. Repairman JIM COOPER celebrated a birthday June 27. PATRICK MULCAHEY Jr., the son of Shop Clerk PATRICK MULCAHEY Sr., is celebrating his fourth birthday June 5. Operator RON MILLER celebrated a birthday June 4, and let's not forget SY GOLDMAN who celebrated on June 20. That's the only information Sy would give, no year, no age. That's allright, Sy, we'll take a good guess. One of the most desirable, understanding, and lovable creatures I know, my wife, celebrated her birthday on June 26. Happy birthday, MARY...Operator TONY PESCE is to be congratulated on his receiving the Professor Kristos Argoe annual award of $100 from Wright Junior college as the most outstanding student. This is highly commendable in all its aspects. Much more so because of Operator Pesce's full time employment. We can understand the hardships which he had to undergo. Our heartfelt congratulations.

- Ernest C. Carter & Anthony Berry

LAWNDALE -

Now that the weather is getting brighter, we have had visits from some of our pensioners, FRANK MATRE and EDDIE WISS, who tells about eating spaghetti in Wisconsin, JOHN OLINSKI, PAT O'TOOLE, KOKOMO HANLEY, FRED KINDLE, and from the repair department ABE ZACH and ART VAN MOFFAERT. Believe me, they all look great... For the first six months of the year, we are heading for a new safety record with a low accident rating. If we can keep up the good work, we will end up near the top, with free rolls and coffee, fellows.

We hear that TONY ZELEWSKI has a beautiful mobile home in California and is living like a king...Our baseball team had a fine start and we think they are great...JOHN ZURICH took his pension on June 1 and will leave for Germany to visit his son...Our deepest sympathy to the families of Instructor BILL FEILER who was buried Saturday, May 24; WALTER SZCZEPANIK who was buried Saturday, May 31, and MICHAEL MROZINSKI who passed away on June 3. He was the step-father of Janitor EDDIE KAWCZYNSKI...We met FRANK KIZIOR one day. He is now working as a messenger and looking great...Happy birthday to our former station superintendent, CLINTON SONDERS, June 14...LOUIS MAGILL is resting well after his operation. Here's wishing you a speedy recovery, Louie...Mrs. BILL LISIECKI is rapidly recovering after her eighth operation...See you later.

- Larry Keating

LIMITS -

Supervisor JOE DAQUILANTE was united in marriage to his dream girl (EILEEN is her name) on June 21 at St. Mary of the Lake church. For their honeymoon, they went on a Caribbean cruise. Congratulations and best wishes to this fine couple...Operator SAM WILSON and his dear wife, DOROTHY, celebrated their sixth wedding anniversary on May 5. Congratulations!..Operator JOE DORNSEIFER (the big boy from Germany) was married on May 17 to a charming miss. Congratulations!..Pensioner JOHN BRENNAN visited Ireland with his dear wife, HELEN. They will be gone two months...STANLEY WARCHOL of the repair department is now stationed with the armed forces at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. He is going to school there learning telegraphic equipment for 12 weeks...Among the ardent fishermen at Limits are Operators TILK, DAPPEN, O'LEARY, and Superintendent JACK MORRIS. They all reported big catches of bass up at Wolf river near Fremont, Wisconsin. ..We are happy to see Operator RUDY DAQUILANTE back to work after suffering injuries in a motorcycle accident... Operator TOM MORRISON flew to Gordon, Nebraska, where he picked up his mother and rushed her to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. He reports that she is now recovering and will be back home soon...Operator ELIJAH WESTBROOK spent an enjoyable time in Detroit, Michigan, where he visited his brother...Operator DALE KOEHNKE reports that the home he is building in sunny Florida is coming along nicely. His father, NICK J. KOEHNKE, who is enjoying his pension, has his home close by...Operator PEDRO MARTINEZ was confined in St. Joseph hospital, and from the latest report he is recovering nicely...Our sincerest sympathy to the families of HERBERT SCHAEFER and WILLIAM FEILER who passed away last month.

- R. S. Benson

LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

HELEN PALLISTER wishes to thank all of you for your cards and good wishes for a happy retirement. Helen is well and enjoying her home in Wisconsin...Your scribe wishes to thank FAY CAPRIO can JOE RYAN as they are both good translators and very kind and patient people...We wish to express our sympathy to JUNE BAREKMAN on the death of her mother, and to the family of CURTIS ROSBY, our late Douglas cleaning crew leader...JEWEL HUNT went to Tennessee last month to see her son graduate. Jewel came back very rested, but it seems that working in the assignment office has now changed that...After five years as a part-time ticket agent, TOM BARRETT has graduated and is now working for Allstate Insurance company. Good luck, Tom, and you can be sure we are going to miss you... TOM RAPP, West Side collector, spent a weekend in California attending the wedding of his cousin. Tom had a great time and lost some weight in the process...We wish to welcome all the newly-hired and re-hired student agents...Let me hear about all those vacations.

- Katy Moriarty

LOOP -

On Thursday, May 22, baby KIMBERLY KAY MATTRAN came into this world with a loud cry weighing 6 pounds and 6 ounces and 19 inches long. Her parents, BRUCE and JOAN MATTRAN, are doing fine. The very proud grandma and grandpa are Agent JULIA MATTRAN and her husband, RAY. Little Kimberly Kay was christened on Sunday, June 8. She wore the traditional long white christening dress and coat with matching bonnet trimmed in lace. Her cute dainty white shoes were a gift from her great grandmother (Julia's mother). The christening was a big affair and Kimberly was so happy with all the loving she got from all the family. Congratulations and good luck to one and all...TOM RAPP, collector, has just loved flowers ever

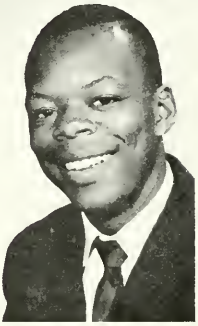
since he was about 12 years old. At that time, he cut all the flowers in his mom's yard and went out and sold them. When he ran out of flowers, he felt very sad. No flowers, no money. So, being a deep thinker, he came up with a good idea. In about a week none of his neighbors had any flowers left in their yards, but Tom had a bag full of money. You see, that's why Tom can carry the money bags without any trouble...Former Agent HELEN PALLISTER wishes to thank all her friends for remembering her with such lovely gifts, cards, flowers, and notes wishing her a long and happy retirement. Once again, have fun Helen, you're only young once...Many happy returns to Agent F. JOHNSON who had a birthday on May 17, and also to Agent M. WIXTED who celebrated her birthday in June...Our deepest sympathy to Agent JUNE BAREKMAN who lost her dear mother, Mrs. ANNA C. BAREKMAN, on Friday, May 30, after a long illness. She was buried on June 2...Agent MARY WHITE wishes to thank all her dear friends who were so wonderful to her while she was in the hospital. She received many cards, phone calls, and beautiful gifts. The masses and prayers also helped Margie during her convalescence. At this writing she is at home and feeling fine and getting stronger every day...Just received the news that Collector T. RAPP is leaving for France on July 31 for three weeks. Have fun, the time will go by very fast...On the sick list at this writing are: Agents H. DALL, GEORGE ROHRHUBER, C. SNYDER, MARGIE WHITE, L. FRICOT, L. LACHOWICZ, F. HAASE, and Janitor J. JORDAN. Hurry back folks, we miss you...Back from nice vacations are: Agents JIMMY GEORGE, C. SALA, J. FILIPEK, J. MATTRAN, MARGO BOGGS, and JIM CARNEY...Congratulations to Student Agents TOM BARRETT and BARBARA POSUCH who were graduated from college in June. May good luck and happiness be yours throughout life...Agent JOHN M. SAMAAN went to a United Nations meeting at the University of Wisconsin as a delegate from the Middle East. He was sent there by a Chicago college. From the pictures John had taken, he had a jolly time. P.S. John plays the Arabian drums for weddings and parties of all kinds. Just call 378-1578 for information. He says the sound of these drums is very enchanting and romantic.

- Mildred Doyle

NORTH AVENUE -

Operator ALFRED AGUAYO and his wife, HILMA, celebrated their 23rd wedding anniversary on June 15. We extend our congratulations. Alfred had a double celebration since it was also Fathers' day...We congratulate Garage Clerk WAYNE MIEDEMA and his wife, BONNIE, who will celebrate two years of happy wedded life on August 5... Many happy returns to ROLANDO LAFITA, the son of Operator LAZARO R. LAFITA, on his 15th birthday, June 11. He had a big birthday party and a wonderful time...We are happy to have received mail from three pensioners. HAROLD LEMIEUX is well and keeping busy in his garden and doing some fishing. BARNEY CALLAHAN and his wife, JOSEPHINE, are visiting their daughter and her family in England, and send their regards to their friends. ARTHUR MOILANEN, now living in Lanse, Michigan, says the fishing is good. His wife was ill, and we hope she is much improved by now. I hope to visit him and do some fishing in September...All of you pensioners who have retired to places that provide good hunting and fishing, let us know. The boys like to know where to go on vacation and where to plan to go when they retire. Pensioner A. A. HALE paid a visit to North Avenue sporting his bow tie. His old friends were happy to see him...Supervisor THOMAS WALSH retired on June 1. He started with the company in 1934 as a conductor at Kedzie. He became a supervisor in June, 1946, and came to North Avenue in 1959. We wish him the best of everything and hope to hear from him...Clerk ROBERT STACK had his vacation but his plans for fishing were spoiled by the cold and snow in Minnesota. Supervisor STANLEY LECK vacationed in Europe. Supervisor JOHN JOHNSON spent his vacation at the Painted Desert in Arizona. Supervisor RAYMOND COLELLO accomplished some grass cutting on his vacation. Supervisor M. CLE-

JOYCE COLEMAN, the daughter of JO COLEMAN, revenue balance clerk, and a straight "A" student, was graduated from Our Lady of Bethlehem academy and has plans to enter Longwood academy in September.



MILTON DRIVER Jr., the son of Repairman MILTON DRIVER Sr., 61st Street, was the recipient of a $1,200 State Grant to further his studies at Roosevelt university.

JANN HENDRICKSON, the daughter of E. R. HENDRICKSON, superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals, was graduated from Maine South High school and has plans to attend City Junior college majoring in social work.

NEW PENSIONERS

CASIMIR J. ANDREWS, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 1-14-36
ROY A. BOETTCHER, Conductor,
South Section, Emp. 2-18-42
ARCHIBALD C. DILLON, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 2-13-36
PATRICK DOHERTY, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 9-9-42
PETER A. DOMBSKI, Painter,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 11-20-50
ANTHONY J. DRAPP, Repairman,
Wilson Shops, Emp. 11-26-43
JOHN E. DUNDON, Ticket Agent,
South Section, Emp. 3-26-34
ARTHUR GISINER, Conductor,
Howard Street, Emp. 6-2-42
CHARLES J. GRAFFEO, Car Cleaner,
North Avenue, Emp. 8-19-47
JAMES J. HARVEY, Towerman,
61st Street, Emp. 11-16-25
EARL O. HELGESEN, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 2-7-28
FREDRICK S. HOFFMANN, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 6-18-43
DONALD A. KANGAS, Switchman,
North Section, Emp. 4-23-28
JAY F. KELLY, Traffic Clerk,
Schedule-Traffic, Emp. 8-26-41
WALTER J. KLEMPIER, Supv. of Bldg. Maint.,
Engineering, Emp. 1-12-42
THEODORE KOTAS, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 7-30-53
JOHN KUCHAN, Laborer,
Building, Emp. 3-23-29
GUY LEPORE, Car Cleaner,
Wilson Avenue, Emp. 8-3-29
VITO S. LOCONTE, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 4-16-45
ALBERT L. LONES, Machinist,
South Shops, Emp. 2-20-42
FERDINAND MARTINO, Conductor,
North Section, Emp. 11-4-43
JAMES McNALLY, Bus Repairer,
Kedzie, Emp. 8-26-42
ROBERT A. MUENCH, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 11-9-33
LONEY W. NEAL, Bus Cleaner,
52nd Street, Emp. 12-21-48
JOSEPH A. SHERIDAN, Bus Repairer,
Campaign Area, Emp. 3-6-43
DONALD SMITH, Motorman,
North Section, Emp. 11-20-45
FRED VAN DER LOCHT, Financial Secretary,
Mach. Union Dist. 8, Emp. 7-1-46
CLARENCE J. VLACH, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 3-1-27
EDWARD A. WOLSKI, Supervisor,
District D, Emp. 1-12-37

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

STEVEN G. ANTON, Serviceman,
77th Street, Emp. 2-3-58
LEONARD E. CARLYON, Bus Repairer,
North Avenue, Emp. 3-25-36
BERNARD J. COGAN, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 10-31-33
CLEODIS FOSTON, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 2-16-56
HENRY J. KOSCHNITZKI, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 10-22-29
IGNATIUS M. MITCHELL, Serviceman,
Archer, Emp. 2-13-51
LAWRENCE A. REYNOLDS, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 10-22-53
JOSEPH THOMPKINS, Painter Helper,
South Shops, Emp. 8-8-41
JOHN C. WILLI, Conductor,
North Section, Emp. 4-9-51

JOINING THE ranks of the retired on July 1 were the 5 CTA employes pictured here who had 40 or more years of transit service each.

C. J. VLACH
42 Years

D. A. KANGAS
41 Years

J. KUCHAN
40 Years

E. O. HELGESEN
41 Years

J. J. HARVEY
43 Years

MENTE enjoyed his vacation helping his wife with her hair dressing at the beauty parlor. Supervisor ROBERT GEISER did some fishing at Sturgeon Bay. Pensioners ERNEST BOCK and ERNEST PEARSON and I caught 14 trout on our fishing trip to Northern Illinois...Supervisor JACOB LAPIDUS has transferred to District D...Operator WILLIAM R. MORRISON passed away May 3. Operator THEODORE MIX lost his brother, ALFRED, on May 10. Operator VICTOR FERRARESI lost his mother on May 18. We send our sympathy to the bereaved families.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN and his wife became grandparents for the seventh time when their son, BILL, and their daughter-in-law, JUDY, became parents of twin boys named JAMES ALLEN and DANIEL WILLIAM, born April 22 at Resurrection hospital...Operator HAROLD SEDIN and his wife, SOPHIA, became grandparents for the 32nd time when Sophia's daughter, Mrs. NANCY ZIEMAN, gave birth to a son named DAVID SCOTT, born April 24 at Northwest hospital...Operator JOE EIFFES started his pension on June 1 after working 27 years for the Motor Coach and CTA. Joe will be living in Clearwater, Florida, where he expects to devote much of his time just fishing and relaxing. Medical Examiner AL GLUECKERT retired on May 1 and we here at North Park will miss Al's cheerful greetings with the medical bus. Our best wishes to Al and Joe in the years ahead...MARIANNE BRUNO, the daughter of Operator TONY BRUNO, was graduated from Mother Guerin High school, and on June 23 entered Western Illinois university in Macomb, Illinois. Marianne expects to complete four years of college work in three years and then become a teacher...SUSAN TULLY, the daughter of Clerk PHIL TULLY, was graduated from Sullivan High school and plans to continue school this fall...DAVID OLENSKI, the son of Operator CHESTER OLENSKI, was graduated from St. Gregory's Grade school and will enter St. Gregory High school in the fall...MERYL SECLER, the daughter of Operator BEN SECLER, was graduated from Fairview South Grade school and will enter Niles East High school in the fall...KAREN PAOLI, the daughter of Operator GINO PAOLI, is a graduate of Mozart Grade school and will enter Kelvyn Park High school in the fall...Ticket Agent EARL STEVENS, formerly a bus operator at North Park, was a recent visitor at the garage and says he misses driving our rolling stock...DAVID BENSEN has returned to work at North Park after spending two years in Denver, Colorado, where he worked at several positions. We are happy to see David back among us again.

Operator CHARLES ALLEMAN has purchased a 3½ acre truck farm in Millbrook, Illinois. The homesite is located two blocks from the Fox River where Charley will be able to fish at will, along with enjoying his hobby of farming... Pensioner TED DIDIER was hospitalized at Edgewater hospital for tests and observation and our prayers are with you, Ted...Private ROBERT NEWTON, the son of Operator ED NEWTON, was transferred to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where he will attend the U.S. Army Printing school...ANNE COSGROVE, the daughter of Operator JOHN COSGROVE, was hospitalized at St. Annes hospital for major surgery, and at this writing is convalescing satisfactorily...SHELDON WEINER, the son of Operator IRVING WEINER, along with Mr. DENNIS SENDER became proprietors of the Sure Save drugstore at 1958 W. Irving Park road. The two gentlemen will be happy to serve one and all who are looking for quality and dependability...Repairman RICHARD STENZEL, Forest Glen Depot, the son of Receiver ED STENZEL, married Miss KATHY DE FRANCE on Saturday, May 31, at Lady of Mercy church. The reception was held at the Regency Inn and was attended by 200 guests. Ed's daughter, SUSAN STENZEL, was graduated from Schurz High school and will enter college this fall. Ed's grandson, EDWIN F. MILLINE, was baptized on May 18 at St. Cornelius church. ..Operator WILLIE FRIEB has purchased a '69 custom Impala and in a short time will be heading for a trip to California...Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN has a new '69 Ford LTD, fully equipped, and is ready for his vacation... Operator RICHARD HALLIGAN has a new '69 Pontiac and is looking forward to his annual trek to Florida...Operator BUTCH VAN MIDDLESWORTH has purchased a Triumph Bonneville motorcycle, and Supervisor DAVE JOHNSON has a new 450 Honda...Operator JOHN BRANDICH and his wife, MYRTLE, vacationed at Lake Norfolk, Arkansas, where John reports the fishing was great. He also reports that Operator ROY LEMKE's advice and location of choice spots helped tremendously...Operator ELMER PETERSON and his wife, HELEN, vacationed at Clearwater, Florida, where they spent their time swimming and relaxing...Operator GARLAND "Tex" RHINES and his brother, ALAN RHINES, vacationed in Lubbock, Texas, where Tex's mother, Mrs. HATTIE RHINES, and other relatives reside. Tex reports that his oil wells and cattle interests are doing fine...Operator CHARLEY KEMP and his wife, HELEN, and their son, GARY, had one of their finest weekends at their summer home in Brookside, Wisconsin. The Kemps caught 32 brook trout in the stream running behind their home.

Operator JOHN GUZALDO and his wife, ROSALIE, and his sister-in-law, Miss CONNIE CELANO, toured Europe for one month. Highlights of the trip were visits with the Pope in the Vatican City, Amalfi Drive in Rome, Venice, Naples, Sorrento, Milan, and tours through Spain, Portugal, and Switzerland with a few days in Paris, France...Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Operator HAROLD JULITZ and his wife, ANN, their 35th; Operator NICK ZAHN and his wife, JULIA, their 23rd; Operator ROY THOMPSON and his wife, GENEVIEVE, their 43rd; Operator KAZ YAWORSKI and his wife, FLORENCE, their 14th; Operator JOHN SUMMERSON and his wife, CHARLOTTE, their 17th; Operator CHESTER OLENSKI and his wife, JOANNE, their 19th; Operator BEN SECLER and his wife, NATALIE, their 18th; Operator EDGER NEWTON and his wife, FRANCES, their 33rd; Operator JERRY BUDZISZ and his wife, HELEN, their 13th; Pensioner and Mrs. ALVIN DAVIS, their 25th; Pensioner MAURICE MARTENS and his wife, AGNES, their 33rd; Operator JACK URBAN and his wife, SARAH, their 33rd; Operator WALTER UHLEMAN and his wife, LEONA, their 34th; Operator BOB CIESLA and his wife, EMELIA, their 31st; Operator BILL KNIGHT and his wife, ELKINA, their 23rd; Operator LEROY CARR and his wife, LOUISE, their 23rd; Operator GORDEN RICE and his wife, EDITH, their 27th; Clerk SAM GIRARD and his wife, WANDA, their 28th; Pensioner TED DIDIER and his wife, MADA, their 36th; Operator DON HEANEY and his wife, SONIA, their 16th; Operator CHARLES KEMP and his wife, HELEN, their 24th, and Operator RALPH ILLION and his wife, LILLIAN, their 28th...Happy birthdays are extended to the following: Operators LEROY CARR, JOHN COSGROVE, WALTER UHLEMAN, and BOB CIESLA, Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN, DEBBIE FRIEB, MARCI

LYNN LICHTER, EDWARD, ROY and KEITH KURCZEWSKI, LEONA NEUMAN, and EMELIA CIESLA...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to the family of Sanitary Engineer HENRY SCHOFFEN; to Operator BILL SEIFERT on the loss of his brother, Mr. CARL SEIFERT, and to the HEIN and BLOOMQUIST families on the loss of Mr. Hein.

Repair Department chit chat: Serviceman RED STAUNTON went skiing on his vacation and took along a splint kit this time...Clerk GENE DZERWIKI has been golfing with North Park's ace pros, LASKE and BRUBACK...Repairman PAUL SCHREVES is going to attend the organ players convention and hopes to meet some of the celebrities that attend this affair...Assistant Foreman JOE COUGHLIN was summoned to Iowa to check on the flood damage to his extensive farm holdings...Repairman ERNIE LOTITO is proud of his '69 Buick Le Sabre and hopes to roll soon on his vacation...Repairman SPARKY spent his vacation in the hills of Oklahoma...Repairman FRANK "The Cat" SCHENDEL spent the Memorial day weekend in Spooner, Wisconsin, where he caught a year's supply of minnows for Julius... Repairman ALEX "The Shnozz" FRITZLER spent his vacation painting his house and shining his new Buick...Repairman JULIUS MERSCH and his wife, AGNES, celebrated their 40th anniversary on June 1 at St. Gregory church, followed by a reception at the home of their son, ROBERT, in Skokie, Illinois...Repairman BOB VANDERMEIR's twin sons made their first holy communion on Memorial day... Repairman BOB LORENZ had CLEO and BOOGIE out to string up barbed wire fencing on his ranch where he is expanding his holdings...Repairman MIKE MUSIELSKI took a week to plow his garden and now has his tomato plants set out...Repairman JOHN LOFTUS was hospitalized for surgery, and at this writing is convalescing satisfactorily... Repairman PAT MALONEY and Serviceman PAT "Moon Man" BOYLE retired on June 1 and a grand party was held at the garage for these two fine gentlemen. The best of health and good luck is extended in the years ahead for the two Pats.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

It looks as if this month will be a busy one with everyone going on their vacations, and I hope you have a wonderful time. Your scribe started hers on June 29...EARL STEVENS would like me to thank everyone who called and sent cards while he was in the hospital. They help to pass the time and cheer one up...J. C. WILLI went on pension June 1 after 23 years of service. He was assistant board member of Division 308. They plan to move to Seminole, Florida, where his son, MIKE, will finish his schooling. Mike was graduated from St. Peters Elementary school on June 1... FRED MARTINO, Howard platform man, took his pension after 27 years of service on June 1. Fred and his wife bought a home in southern Illinois and plan to move there soon...Mrs. JOHN DURKIN acknowledges with many thanks all the donations and mass cards received since the death of her beloved husband...THERESA MOORE's son, his wife, and baby came in from Washington, D.C., for a week's visit recently...GENE BERGFELD's wife, MARIE, had an operation for cataracts in St. Louis, Missouri, and it was a success. Gene is joining her there for his vacation...THELMA ZINNINGER has another grandson. He was born on April 21 and was named TOBY JON, weighing 8 pounds 3 ounces. Toby's father worked at the Mart in '65...ART GISINER is taking his pension on July 1. He and his wife, ELMINA, will move to Antigo, Wisconsin...KENNETH J. WISNIEWSKI, with us for the summer, was married on July 5 to LILLIAN PIET at St. Adalbert's Parish. The reception was held at Pressman's Union Hall on South Kedzie. They plan to go to New Orleans for a late honeymoon in September...I hope everyone who had an anniversary this month enjoyed it as your scribe did her tenth on May 23. Mr. ZUPKO celebrated 22 years on May 28...We welcome the many new employes who have been hired recently, and the students returning for the summer work...Condolences to KATHLEEN and BRIDGETT O'DONNELL on the loss of their brother and brother-in-law...Janitor KARLOS is vacationing in Canada where he is visiting his son...Mr. W. CHASE spent a few days in California, then flew to Hawaii to be with his daughter when she has the baby. Hope he has a nice time. I would like to be there myself...ART KRAUSE took his pension on June 1 after 26 years of service with the company, including 5 years as an agent...ROSE O'CONNELL's son, TOM, received his diploma from the Chicago Academy of Fine Arts on June 11. Good luck in your continued work, Tom...Collector ATHENS is back to work after a long illness. He was operated on for varicose veins. Glad to see you back, Mr. Athens...FRED KING is home recuperating after 5 weeks in the hospital. He was operated on for blood clots. He had 4 operations before coming home. He is improving and hopes to return to work soon. He has asked me to thank all who sent flowers, cards, and made calls while he was there...MARIE PASS has returned from a three-week tour of Europe. Marie and her sister went to the Netherlands, Belgium, Austria, Italy, Germany, Holland, and a few other places and found the countries just beautiful...DON SMITH, motorman at Howard, took an early pension on July 1 after 24 years of service...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. MICHAEL WELCH on the birth of a 7 pound 3 ounce baby girl on June 11. The new addition was named MARY CATHERINE...While on a recent vacation in Hot Springs, Arkansas, NELL SCHNEIDER of the Executive Office visited with a retired North Section ticket agent residing in the Majestic hotel. DORIS JOHNSON has been there for six years and is confined to a wheelchair. She would enjoy hearing from some of her old friends.

- Grace Mounts

OPERATIONS -

ANGELA BRATEK left the CTA on June 13 to await the arrival of a blessed event. All in the office and many of her other friends extended their congratulations and best wishes to the mother-to-be, presented her with a gift, and had some coffee and cake. Her husband, BOB, is a programmer trainee in the Methods and Procedures Department...We would now like to welcome her replacement, JOAN JESTER, who is a new employe that just graduated from Longwood academy...After serving one year in Thailand, Sgt. RICHARD STRATTON, a jet mechanic in the U.S. Air Force, returned home. His dad, RAYMOND, was all smiles when his plane landed in Chicago. He will be in Walla Walla, Washington, until his discharge in six months. ..Graduating from St. Patrick High school were the sons of H. REDMAN, Operations, J. ROCHE, Utility, and the grandson of C. OLCIKAS, District D. Congratulations and good luck for a successful future to the graduates...Representing the Transportation Department in the General Office spring golf tournament were THOMAS M. STIGLIC and MARTY LUKES. Despite the downpour and strong winds the games

PRETTY CORTHEA QUALLS, the daughter of Operator JEFFREY QUALLS, 77th Street Station, "did her thing" when she made her debut as a debutante at a cotillion in the Palmer House on May 31.

were completed and the players were drenched. I don't think their scores were as low as they would have liked them to be, but they both managed to come home with a prize...RALPH TRACY and his son, RANDY, went to the central part of Wisconsin for a week of fishing. I don't know if this is a fish story or not, but I was told they did very well and got a lot of nice northerns and crappies. Good weather helped make the vacation more enjoyable. Randy recently enlisted in the U.S. Marines and is now in training in San Diego, California. We wish him the best of luck...The beauty of the west was seen by KEN WILLIAMS and his wife, LYDIA. During the three weeks they were away they stopped at many places including Scottsdale, Arizona, where they visited with JAKE JACOBY, spent a day in Tijuana, Mexico, and took in the scenery of many of the national parks. They spent a week in California visiting with many relatives and friends and saw Retired Line Supervisor EDGAR FERGUSON. After seeing their daughter at Southern Illinois university, their wonderful vacation came to a close...Our sympathy is extended to the family of HENRY REDMAN whose sister, LEONA DICKNEIT, passed away on June 8.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

Congratulations to all those whose efforts enabled the Utility Department to win two awards from the Greater Chicago Safety Council; one for traffic safety, and the other for industrial safety. We are proud of you and hope you continue the good work...On June 1, CASEY DE BOAR went on retirement. His friends were on hand to wish him good luck. He intends to spend his time at a place about 60 miles north of St. Paul, Minnesota...We are happy to hear that S. KAMINSKI is back at work and feeling fine after his recent surgery...A couple of new employes who just transferred into this department are JOHN KOHLER and FRANK ZBROSKEWICZ. Welcome and good luck in your new jobs. ..A group of retirees enjoyed themselves at a get-together which was held at New Little Bohemia. Talking over old times and current happenings were: J. MULREE, B. GILMOR, C. BELASICH, P. RECKS, B. WERMES, S. ANDERSON, J. CALAGHAN, P. CARPINO, T. RUESING, A. EIREMANN, C. MARTIN, and G. WORTMAN.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES RICKER drove to Charlottesville, Virginia, for two weeks of relaxation and fun. While Mr. Ricker was out on the golf course, his wife was playing tennis. The weather was beautiful and they had a wonderful time...After 13 years with the CTA, MARLENE DAY resigned to go to such things as palm trees, sunshine, and ocean breezes. She and her husband, JOE, are moving to Honolulu, Hawaii. They drove to Arizona to visit with his mother, then on to California and took a 4½ day boat trip to their new home. Dr. Joe intends to set up his optometry practice while Marlene will take it easy for a while, get some sun and maybe learn the hula. A party was held for her at the M&M Club on June 6 where she was presented with a gift and her many friends wished her the best of luck. ALOHA!..A warm welcome is extended to D. JANE BELL who transferred from the Stores Department and will take over where Marlene left off.

- Colette Szczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Howdy JAN HEALY--nice to see you back! You can tell summer is here when you look into the office and see Miss Janet Healy busily typing away. Yes, Jan is back, but I'm afraid it won't be for long this year. You see, Janet won't be Miss Healy for long. Come July 26 she shall be known as Mrs. STEVEN MARTINICH. Oh yes, Jan is getting married. Steve formerly worked for the CTA as a student engineer but since has received his B.S. and M.S. degrees in electrical engineering from the University of Illinois in Champaign. He is presently employed by Philco-Ford corporation in Palo Alto, California, where they plan on living after they're wed. As for Jan, she has been attending St. Xavier college where she is majoring in Speech Therapy and will continue her schooling in California at San Jose State. The wedding will be performed at St. Cajetan's church. P.S. It was at the CTA that Jan and Steve had first met, so you see romance can begin at the CTA (Cupid Ties Anotherknot). Good luck and much congratulations, Jan and Steve...Mrs. MARGE HANSON and her husband, GEORGE, took a short trip to Paducah, Kentucky, to visit her sister who presently is ill. Our get well wishes to your sister, Marge. Incidentally, Marge has recently received an honorable mention for an employe suggestion submitted. ..The Stores Department's own JOAN THOMAS has just returned from a delightful two-week vacation. The vacation was a little special since Joan got to spend the time with her husband, JIM, who is presently home on a 40-day leave from the army. Jim, by the way, is stationed in Okinawa. Jim is seeing the new addition to his family, JENNIFER LYNN, for the first time. What were his first words when he saw his daughter--what else--"She looks just like me." ..Where did ED THORNE and his lovely wife go for their vacation? Where else but sunny Miami Beach, Florida. From the pictures Ed showed around the office most of the time was spent just lying in the sun (soaking up those rays) and splashing in the ocean and beautiful pool. For next year, Ed says it might be the Bahamas or maybe even Hawaii...Let it be known that from now on GEORGE LINDEN shall be known as the assistant divisional storekeeper - North Section. Yes, George is leaving our Mart office after nine years to return to Skokie from whence he came. All kidding aside, congratulations George, on your new position. George will be taking the place of NICK KORZEN who was promoted to the divisional storekeeper's position...Congratulations are also in order for NICK LACORCIA who has become the new stock clerk II in Storeroom 42, Skokie. This job was vacated by the retirement of WALTER MILLER who retired after many, many years of service with the company. So to both of you fellows--Walter--happy, happy retirement and to you Nick, good luck

on your new job...Miss ANNE GUSICH of the Purchasing Department, who is a member of the Catholic War Veterans, St. Jerome Post 595, recently attended their state convention at the Faust hotel in Rockford, Illinois. To Anne's surprise she was awarded a silver medal for outstanding service. She was also re-elected State Treasurer for the seventh time. This must be some sort of record. Congratulations, Anne.

- Jane Urso & Rod Rusakiewicz

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

Both the Schedule Department typists are "Taurus" girls; MAY ANN COX celebrated her birthday on May 15, and EILEEN TYRRELL on May 19...JOE VIOLA spent the long Memorial day weekend by going fishing. Hope you caught some good ones, Joe...Your reporter, KAY BATINA, spent the remaining part of her vacation during the long Memorial day weekend not only busily cleaning house, but also putting mileage on her car...The welcome mat is out for W. STOLTENBERG and E. WROBEL, former outside checkers, to the Schedule Department as traffic clerks... ESTHER O. O'BRIEN started a life of leisure with her retirement as of May 31. June 18, 1923, marked the start of the transit career of Esther O. Sandstrom who joined the Chicago Surface Lines as a stenographer in the Schedule-Traffic Department. In 1931 Esther changed her name by marriage to DANNY O'BRIEN, a foreman in the Machine Shop in the old West Shops. Her career kept her in the Schedule-Traffic and Executive Departments until 1946 when she transferred as secretary to the General Superintendent of the Shops and Equipment Department. After 18 years in this position Esther returned home to the Schedule-Traffic Department as secretary to the superintendent from which assignment she retired to what we sincerely hope will be a pleasant and long life of leisure and fulfillment of her dreams for an around the United States trip followed by a trip around the world. A dinner at the Bull 'N Bear restaurant was attended by 125 friends of Esther's to rejoice with her and honor her for a long and dedicated transit career and to wish her well in her well earned retirement...WALTER THOMAS and his wife visited their daughter and son-in-law where both are students at Colorado State college in Greeley, Colorado. Walter's son-in-law holds the area record for the running broad jump and will soon be competing for the national title...We welcome RUTH HAVLIK who transferred from the Accounting Department to the Schedule Department to replace Esther O'Brien.

- Kathryn Batina

SOUTH SECTION -

Here we are "In The Good Old Summertime". Hope everyone enjoys their summer...Greetings and salutations to the newly transferred trainmen from the North and West Sections: RONALD BYERS, JAMES WILSON, IVORY DAVIS, MAURICE BRANCH, LARRY CHILDRESS, EDWARD MEANS, JEROME TIGNER, LARRY GENOUS, LAWRENCE ROSEBAR, and JIMMY GRIFFITH...Belated congratulations to Conductor RICHARD SIMS who married LOIS METCALF recently. A happy married life is wished the newlyweds... It's nice to see Conductors GEORGE PEDERSEN and EARTHON JOHNSON, Agent ANTHONY NICHOLSON, and Janitor MICHAEL CARUSO back at their respective posts and off the sick list...With the arrival of summer and schools out, back came our student conductors to work for a few months: WILLIAM WHITENHILL, DONNIE REEVES, WILLIAM STALLWORTH, PHILIP WHITE, GREGORY GUEST, ROBERT ROBERSON, CHARLES WILLIAMS, and MAJOR COLEMAN...Congratulations to Motorman LEONARD BEATTY who received an honorable mention award of a $7.00 Jewel-Osco gift certificate for his safety suggestion...The Shops Department had a nice get-together and luncheon for Shopman CONN RIORDAN who retired on June 1 with 41 years of service. A token of remembrance was presented to him by his co-workers. The food was delicious. I'll never keep my weight down with all those goodies. Best wishes to Mr. Riordan for a healthy and happy retirement life...Also returning for the summer are our student agents: ROSEMARY WILLIAMS, JOYCE DAVENPORT, GREGORY BOND, OLIVER EVANS, SHELDIA HORN, MALINDA RUCKER, and GREGORY CULBERSON... Our Assistant Station Superintendent at Ashland avenue, JOSEPH TVRDIK, vacationed at his favorite fishing spot at Bull Shoals in the Ozarks and got his usual quota of fish. And now my hubby, ROLAND, is getting the frying pan ready for the fish. While in the Ozarks, Joe visited with Retired Motorman CHARLES McMORROW and his wife in Mt. Home, Arkansas, and they send their regards to all of us back here in Chicago...Retired Conductor LELAND DAVIS, who lived in Mexico, passed away recently and was buried in Tulsa, Oklahoma...Repairman MILTON DRIVER was bursting with pride when he told us about his son, MILTON Jr., who received a $1,200 grant to attend Roosevelt university in September. He will major in drama. Also, his daughter, JOE ANN, received her cap and is a licensed practical nurse at St. Lukes hospital. No wonder he is so proud of his children..."Hello" to newly-hired Agents BOBBIE DUBOSE, DIANE LOVE, BARBARA HAMILTON, ALBERTA DAVIS, SHERRY JONES, ESTHER LACEY, FANNIE WILLIAMS, IONAE HARRIS, and MINNIE WAKEFIELD, also to a transferee from the Surface System, Agent LEVI FOSTER, and re-hired Agent CHARLOTTE CAMPBELL. Also newly-hired Part-time Agents BEVERLY LANE, PATRICIA GAMMAGE, LYNDA GAULT, DEBORAH TINSEY, and ARDIS MORRIS Jr., the son of Supervisor ARDIS MORRIS...Retired Assignment Agent LULU HAMANN took a nice trip by train up to Wisconsin for a few days to see her niece graduate from high school...On the sick list at this writing are Conductors HAROLD THEDENS and JAMES GALLAGHER, and Agent LEON KURAS. Here's wishing them a speedy recovery...Motorman LINDBERG WILLIAMS received a nice letter of commendation from General Manager T. B. O'Connor commending him for his alertness in stopping his train at 47th Street when a man was wedged in the structure...Good luck to Agents DONALD HOUSTON, MARIKO HARRIS, Part-time Agents AMAZON PAYTON and RICHARD JOHNSON, and Janitor RICHARD WELLS who resigned recently...Off on a whirlwind trip to Ireland, Scotland, and England is Agent HELEN SHANNON. She was really looking forward to taking this trip...You should see the new offices, station, and terminal at Ashland avenue which opened on May 6. Is it nifty. The old terminal at Loomis Street is closed and being dismantled. Good fortune to our new terminal.

- Verna Hartney

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Condolences to the family of RAYMOND BRZECZEK, Office, on the passing of his father-in-law, JOSEPH JANCZURA. Mr. Janczura, a former CTA employe, had been

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

JOSEPH L. BALNIS, 62, Beverly,
Emp. 10-3-29, Died 4-26-69
DANTE BRUNOD, 58, Engineering,
Emp. 12-21-33, Died 5-5-69
JOHN W. BURKS, 70, 52nd Street,
Emp. 1-4-44, Died 5-11-69
PATRICK J. BYRNE, 73, West Section,
Emp. 9-29-21, Died 5-11-69
ADAM CHLOPECKI, 82, West Section,
Emp. 4-8-42, Died 4-26-69
LELAND M. DAVIS, 74, 61st Street,
Emp. 6-29-43, Died 5-18-69
CHARLES F. DOUMEL, 75, Lawndale,
Emp. 1-22-23, Died 5-22-69
GEORGE H. DRAUT, 84, Devon,
Emp. 4-2-06, Died 5-31-69
JOHN DURKIN, 64, North Section,
Emp. 10-27-44, Died 4-17-69
MIKE DURSUM, 79, Track,
Emp. 10-8-21, Died 5-11-69
WILLIAM FEILER, 57, Instruction,
Emp. 12-17-40, Died 5-22-69
EMIL FELTZ, 60, Archer,
Emp. 8-15-41, Died 4-14-69
JOSEPH P. FITZGERALD, 73, 69th Street,
Emp. 6-4-14, Died 5-25-69
JOHN N. FURTNER, 68, West Shops,
Emp. 10-18-23, Died 5-13-69
SAM GALIANO, 61, Engineering,
Emp. 10-23-40, Died 5-4-69
HUGH J. GIBLIN, 70, West Section,
Emp. 6-22-37, Died 5-24-69
EMIL F. GROSS, 78, 69th Street,
Emp. 9-19-18, Died 6-1-69
WILLIAM A. HEILBUTH, 77, Kedzie,
Emp. 1-19-12, Died 5-8-69
JOSEPH JANCZURA, 77, Archer,
Emp. 11-21-23, Died 5-29-69
ARTHUR JANKE, 79, West Shops,
Emp. 3-27-19, Died 5-15-69
JAMES JENNINGS, 95, Noble,
Emp. 4-27-00, Died 4-29-69
PATRICK KENNY, 52, Treasury,
Emp. 5-26-42, Died 5-24-69
EDWARD J. KLIMA, 84, Lawndale,
Emp. 1-21-09, Died 5-24-69
WILLIAM KOPKE, 51, Electrical,
Emp. 8-30-29, Died 4-18-69
CHARLES E. LARSON, 78, North Avenue,
Emp. 11-23-26, Died 5-18-69
ALBERT LIS, 78, Kedzie,
Emp. 4-27-29, Died 5-14-69
EDGAR MAGNUSON, 76, 69th Street,
Emp. 8-2-13, Died 5-27-69
PETER McMANAMON, 67, South Section,
Emp. 5-22-27, Died 5-18-69
ALFRED A. MIX, 66, North Division,
Emp. 10-6-19, Died 5-10-69
WILLIAM MORRISON, 55, North Avenue,
Emp. 7-25-55, Died 5-2-69
JOHN PETRICA, 56, Archer,
Emp. 10-14-42, Died 5-9-69
RUDOLPH C. PLOGER, 67, North Section,
Emp. 11-27-42, Died 5-12-69
EDWARD R. PULLIAM, 87, North Section,
Emp. 8-21-08, Died 5-14-69
FRANCIS RHOMBERG, 54, 77th Street,
Emp. 8-13-41, Died 4-17-69
JOHN H. SANDQUIST, 84, 69th Street,
Emp. 1-30-09, Died 5-28-69
EMIDIO SANTELLA, 82, West Shops,
Emp. 10-2-23, Died 5-19-69
HARRY W. SCHLAU, 89, Douglas Park,
Emp. 8-31-99, Died 4-29-69
ROBERT SMITH, 33, Limits,
Emp. 12-1-60, Died 4-24-69
GEORGE J. STELLER, 63, North Avenue,
Emp. 10-18-41, Died 5-22-69
JACOB W. SZYMCZYK, 72, West Shops,
Emp. 5-17-37, Died 5-7-69
FRANK M. ZUREK, 72, Devon,
Emp. 9-14-23, Died 5-24-69

on pension for 13 years...After 41 years of service, CORNELIUS RIORDAN, 61st Street, retired on June 1. Best wishes for continued good health and happiness are sent his way...A double celebration was held at Wilson to bid farewell to A. DRAPP and G. LAPORE who retired on July 1. The guys will really be missed...Wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to FRANK RAKSTIS, Linden, who is off on the sick list...Congratulations to H. BIGGS and A. MOORE on their promotion to repairman at Congress...Welcome to A. ROONEY and G. VAN NORMAN, new car servicemen, and L. BRANTLEY and K. CALT, summer assistants at Howard...Moving along the road of success are D. VILLA and R. SUAREZ who transferred to the Skokie Shops Electrical Department...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. ANTHONY ODROWSKI, Kimball, on the celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary. Their celebration started off with a mass said by Father Paul Hoban of the CTA St. Joseph League and ended with a feast enjoyed with family and friends at Dean's restaurant...FRANK FAWCETT, Kimball, is at home and recuperating after spending some time at Ravenswood hospital...Sorry to hear that ANTHONY RUANE, Kimball, is in Ravenswood hospital. Let's get those cards and visits in to both Kimballites...Wishes for a quick recovery are sent to G. ANDERSON, Wilson, who is off on the sick list...Welcome to DOMINIC DeGIANFILIPPO, new summer recruit at Kimball...Best wishes to L. C. JONES who resigned from Congress to go into electrical work...A hearty welcome from the Congress crew to new car servicemen D. MASON, A. BOYACK, J. NICKEL, B. MULLANEY, G. DANIEL, S. BRINKER, and J. HUNT, and repairman A. TUCKNOTT...R. KESSLER, A. WITHERSPOON, and F. PATTERSON were promoted to "B" repairmen at Congress...Best wishes to ED WEBBER, Congress, and the new Mrs. WEBBER on their recent marriage. Wishes for years of happiness are sent to the newlyweds.

Graduation exercises were held for JOE LaBELLARTE, LENNY DAVENPORT, LARRY MONAGHAN, GEORGE BARNES, HAROLD YOUNG, DON NICOSIA, and JACK HOBBS who completed the Inspectional Terminal Instructor course at Lamon school...Congratulations to RICHARD BRZECZEK, the son of RAYMOND BRZECZEK, Office,

who placed first from a field of 2,733 on the Chicago Police Department's sergeant's exam. Officer Brzeczek, who has been on the police force for five years, is presently doing administrative work in the Youth Division of the police department...Skokie Shops held their golf outing, and among those listing mentionable scores were J. CANNELLA, M. COYLE, P. SABADOSA, J. LaBELLARTE, A. PORCARO, R. FLOWERS, C. MYERS, and S. RITA. Next time let's get all the guys out to play...F. BENANTI Jr., Congress, and his family enjoyed their vacation seeing Idaho...Playing ambassador is how E. STAHL, Kimball, spent his vacation while entertaining friends from Germany...Vacations are for visiting and M. NETZEL, Wilson, had a vacation visit with his mother in Hannover, West Germany...Resting, relaxing, garden working, and traveling is how vacation time was spent for G. COLUMBO, R. ROBINSON, J. HENDERSON, C. DUNLAP, H. HUGHES, R. LAUDANSKI, M. O'MALLEY, D. BRODIE, N. McGILL, T. SWIDER, M. McINTOSH, L. ZIELINSKI, E. WISNIEWSKI, N. SCIMECA, S. ROEBUCK, J. O'TOOLE, R. LONDON, J. RUIZ, C. HARRINGTON, H. FINLEY, R. JOHNSTON, G. DAVIS, C. REYMONT, H. LOOMIS, J. ORANGE, J. WILLIAMS, T. FRIEND, H. YOUNG, N. BENSON, J. CUNNINGHAM, G. KLEIN, A. MISCHKE, and W. SUDDUTH.

- Ray Brzeczek

SKOKIE SHOPS -

That wonderful day for retirement has come to many during the last few months at the Skokie Shops: JOHN GRZYB, carpenter, WILLARD LUCAS, blacksmith welder, CLEM HAMMERSCHMITT, electrical worker, ANDREW CZUBA, electrical worker, and PETER OLSZEWSKI, shop tractor operator...We also want to wish JOSEPH (Joe) BEDNARIK, electrical worker, who recently transferred to West Shops, the best of luck...There are a lot of new faces at Skokie these days with all the new apprentices who joined us recently. Among them are: DAVID MAYER, WILLIAM POWELL, DONALD VILLA, EDMOND DELANEY, LEROY SUAREZ, and MUZIO FICARELLI...There was a double celebration at the home of EDWARD R. HENDRICKSON, superintendent of Rapid Transit Shops and Terminals, and his wife, MARY, with the graduation of their two daughters, CHARLENE and JANN. Charlene was graduated from Lincoln Junior High school, and will attend Maine South this fall, and Jann was graduated from Maine South High school in Park Ridge on June 11 and will continue at City Junior college and specialize in social work.

- Everett E. England

77TH STREET -

Well, here we go again. What with the all important election of union officials and Father's day, you would think that your old scribe would be flooded with news...Operator KEITH TAYLOR will kill me if I don't get this in. His wife, ROXY, presented him with a baby girl, STACY, on April fools day...Operator TOM RAWLINGS became a grandfather when his daughter, ANITA, became a proud mother of a 7½ pound boy...Our condolences to Operator JOHNNY BURKS Jr., who lost his father, JOHN BURKS Sr., on May 11. He was a retired CTA bus operator...GREGORY J. HEARNS, the stepson of Operator A. LEWIS, left for the Marines on May 27, and will take his basic training in San Diego, California. While on vacation, Lewis and his son did some fishing in Eurica, Wisconsin, Green Lakes, and Monticello and had good luck. They caught a 16 pound carp, two striped bass, and some crappies and blue gills...Operator PATRICK HOGAN either lost a daughter or gained a son when his only daughter, MARY AGNES, was united in holy matrimony to PAUL BURNS on June 7...On June 7 I was pleasantly surprised by Mr. and Mrs. MATTHEW DAVIS who motored in from Memphis, Tennessee, to pay a short visit; and to top that off, my aunt, MARGARET DAVIS, will be here from Los Angeles, California, and RUTH has me painting...We take this opportunity to thank management for the reduction in fare for the senior citizens, and we ask our fellow operators to please have patience with them. If we live long enough, we too will become senior citizens...I saw ERNEST CARTER, former scribe at Keeler, and he is now a supervisor. We wish him much luck and success...My daughter, BRENDA, is a June graduate from Dixon Grammar school...Happy birthday to my nephew, MARTY WILSON, June 19...It's good to see Operator WILLIAM RILEY back at work after being off for two months due to an accident...Operator RONALD PHILPOT, scribe for the Union Leader, entered Columbus hospital on June 9 for a minor operation...DENISE GRESHAM, the daughter of Operator ELCOSIE GRESHAM, was presented at a dance given by the Barber's school on June 6. She was also a June graduate of South Shore High school. By the way, Elcosie has taken the oath to carry his paper and pencil at all times, and will join me starting with the August issue as your co-reporter at 77th Street...Boy, our softball team at 77th is really something. All of the players showed up in the rain to play Sunday, June 8. However, the game was called because of rain, but with the spirit the fellows are showing, we have to be a winner...The Brokers Club is really swinging these days. They are currently holding their affairs at the Caribbean Village on 75th and Stony Island...Now that the election is over, let's congratulate the winners and send flowers to the losers and get down to the business at hand. Remember, it's not whether you win or lose, but how you play the game...See you after my vacation with my fish stories.

- Amos Foster

69TH STREET -

Mrs. YOUNG, the price of coffee at the Union restaurant is now 15¢, so you will just have to increase MICKEY's allowance. Of late, he has taken to panhandling and has talked DAVIDSON, for one, into buying his coffee. Of course I agree that he can't stay out of trouble, like the day he worked FRANK ZBROSKEWICZ's run and a passenger took a swing at him because he thought Mickey was Frank. I guess it was a good thing that Frank took J. C. KOHLER's advice and transferred with him to the Utility Department. Don't you two fret about 59th street, because TOM McDONALD and ARTHUR PORTER are keeping the street in good shape. Tom's wife is coming along fine. Her hip is just about healed and she is able to get around and help him with the house work, now. Arthur Porter took his wife to Mexico City, Mexico, on June 8 to celebrate their 31st wedding anniversary. They stayed at the Hotel Alameda and made Acapulco one of their stops...E. R. ORACKI was speechless one day when he asked a little old lady for her medicare card. She told him that he was looking at a spring chicken and paid a full fare..."Fat" CHAMBERS wants to know who the bus driver was that ate the kids lunches when he had a charter to the museum?..In Greek, PAUL VASILOPULOUS's name means, "Son of a (watch it

now) Prince." Paul had some bad luck lately, like having some of his relatives die and leave their savings for him to spend. He is worried about the bus driver that is selling church candles for 50¢ when he buys them for 5¢...Do you know that MICHAEL PACHOLIK is driving a new Chrysler station wagon at the rate of nine miles per gallon?..Operators COYLE and J. GRADY better stop giving me a bad time or I'll get VI to put salt in their coffee. Vi is a good kid and gives good service. She has been having a rough time, so let loose of the extra change, fellas...At the White Sox night game for the CTA, the Senators didn't stand a chance. One look at that deep purple (love) hat ROY HORNING had on and they struck out. You have to hand it to his "missus", she came with him. The "B/D" buddies, JACK WILSON and JOE CURRAN, were chaperoned by Jack's wife. PETE ALLESSI and his lovely wife had box seats (no less). RAY HAMMERSCHMIDT was there but missed the game. He was too busy stuffing popcorn into his face to see anything. On top of all that, TOM COOK caught a home run ball and the Sox won...JIM CHAMBERS said that MATT O'CALLAGHAN's condition has greatly improved. He no longer smokes, does the Irish jig, and hopes to be back to work soon...Do you know that WILLIAM (Bill) YEATMAN's middle name is YANCEY? His (good) friends believe it really is his first...LAWRENCE (Larry) LANTON of 550 N. Eastern avenue, Joliet, dropped a few lines. He drove a bus at 77th and 69th Street for 12 years and is now working for the Caterpillar Tractor company in Joliet. His father, WILLIAM OSCAR LANTON, died suddenly, May 23. Besides Larry, he left behind 5 daughters, 22 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. He was 63 years old...W. JOLLY had both eyes operated on last March, and as soon as he gets used to his glasses he will be back to work...ERNEST TOCCI, our former boss at 69th Street, was graduated from Mt. Carmel High school 50 years ago. He is now 72 years old and has returned to Mt. Carmel again--but this time to teach Latin. At a gathering of over 900 people at the Martinique restaurant, Mr. Tocci was chosen to be Mt. Carmel's "Man of the Year". This is quite an honor and we are very proud of you, Tocci, old boy...JOE DENNESAITES was elected to be the Grand Knight of the LaRabida-McHale No. 980, Knights of Columbus...JERRY DUNN, clerk, retired after 35 years of service. He started at the old Cottage Grove barn. Loads of luck and many years of happiness and health to you...Operator OWEN WHITE's wife suffered a stroke and was in St. George's hospital...ROBERT LANE, the brother of Operator S. LANE, was hit by a hit and run driver on May 18. He suffered a broken leg, but worst of all, he lost his false teeth. This happened at 69th and State, and everytime I'm there I keep looking for them. ..Back to the Youngs again. He took a day off when his son left for duty in the naval reserve. That night he worked a charter and was invited in for dinner. It was too late when he realized that it was Dutch treat...FRALE took his son on one of his famous choo-choo rides with a stop at the Grand Canyon this time...Instructor JOHN (the weather man) LUCAS was mighty proud when his son, JOHN Jr., placed second in the Illinois state music contest. He plays the accordion...I apologize to JOHN JAROSZEK for misspelling his name, but really, fellow, that wasn't very hard to do... Election day for Division 241 has come and gone and we have two new board members, H. BLAKE and L. MORRIS. Do a good job, fellows, and keep your cool...Among some of the pensioners I saw that day were: A. J. BOURKE, who has been retired for 18 years and looks great, GALE RUSKA, and Retired Supervisor JIMMY GLENN, who has a bike shop on 95th and Kedzie avenue. He gives big discounts to all CTA men...A sight to see is PAUL VASILOPULOUS imitating HANK RISCH...Off sick at this writing are: P. C. SPOO, MIKE CULLINS, O'CALLAHAN, W. EREICKSON, and YEDINAK. I wish all of you a speedy recovery and better health in the future...All of you who are on disability, retired, going on vacation, just returning, or just plain working, let's hear from you. Just drop a line into my mail box or send it to 69th in care of CTA Transit News.

THESE ARE the fellows who were responsible for the wonderful time that was had by everyone who attended the South Shops picnic on Saturday, June 21, at Rubio Woods. The committee members are (left to right) first row--W. HAWORTH, H. KOLAR, choirman, J. LASKY, D. BRYAR, and T. CULKIN. Second row--J. MARRON, E. MANUEL, T. COATES, J. FORRESTAL, R. KEANE, B. HAWORTH, and J. SKIZAS. Third row--F. SPROVIERI, R. HAGEN, S. MAZUREK, F. MAY, J. KEANE, C. RILEY, and S. NIEMAN. Missing at the time this picture was taken were A. WILLIAMS and J. CAROLYN.

From the repair department and JIMMY AHERN, we find that MIKE MORAN is back to work again after a long illness...FRANK PELZMAN, former foreman at 69th Street, is off sick...Our condolences to the family of JOE FITZGERALD who passed away. Joe worked a good many years for the old Chicago Surface Lines and CTA before retiring some seven years ago...JOE GAMEN, former foreman, is back from Florida on vacation and feeling fine... TOM TWOMEY and his wife are now retired and living in Colorado. Tom worked in the Campaign Area...JOHN PROPOATIS and STEVE DONNA paid us a visit...Pensioner TOM McHUGH is vacationing in Ireland and visiting all the places he knew so long ago. How about some of those Irish songs to sing for us when you come back, Tom...On vacation at this time are: CHARLIE WILLIAMS (who hasn't missed a day in 12 years), BENNY BUTHIEWICZ, DON BERGE, GEORGE MORRELL, RAY SCHIED, LEO UPSEL, JIM LUNDY, BERNIE McBRIDE, DENNY PIERCE, FRANK FLYNN, HARVEY BROCK, TEDDY NIEZABITOWSKI, WALLY GROCH, JIMMY LEE, and MIKE DWYER. If they all go fishing like they said they were, I feel sorry for the fish, especially when Harvey Brock is there as he claims he is an expert. I have yet to see a fish he has caught... How about keeping the buses in tip-top shape and clean so that the drivers can't say anything against us.

- Arthur P. Buesing

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Fareboxes Ordered for Exact Fare Plan

IN PREPARATION for CTA's exact fare plan taking effect during November, Chicago Transit Board at its August 7 meeting awarded contracts for $1,021,015 for locked fareboxes. In additional action, the Board approved the taking of bids for other necessary items for implementing the plan.

Contracts were awarded to Duncan Industries, Inc., of Elk Grove Village, for 1,613 fareboxes at a cost of $594,855 and to Keene Coin Handling Division, Inc. (formerly Johnson Fare Box company), of 4619 N. Ravenswood avenue, Chicago, for 1,522 conversion units for existing fareboxes costing $426,160.

CTA will institute an exact fare plan on its buses so that operators will no longer handle money. Accordingly, drastic revisions will be made in fare collection procedures and equipment. Briefly, the rider will deposit the exact, correct fare into a locked vault farebox. Fare paying will be supervised visually by the bus operator, but no money will pass through his hands and he will have no key for the farebox. Change will not be made on any bus, but provisions will be made to accept overpayment if the passenger does not have exact fare. The system is being so designed as to expose no money from the time fare is paid until it is deposited at the bank.

Fareboxes for the new system will accept pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters. If it is unavoidable that a person deposit more than the required fare, a receipt for the overpayment may be requested which will be redeemable at specified CTA locations.

Before selecting this particular system, CTA reviewed the farebox procedures and hardware of all major cities. A task force visited installations in cities already on the exact fare plan. Farebox, sorting, and counting equipment of all manufacturers was explored. Sample fareboxes submitted by suppliers were carefully studied. Boxes existing on the property were studied to see whether they might feasibly be modified for continued use. Bulk money handling by the telephone company, armored car services, and major banks was investigated.

This study showed that a wholly satisfactory farebox to accept all U.S. coins and paper money, as well as refund envelopes, was not currently in use or in production. Lock farebox systems presently in use in other cities often inconvenience riders by not accepting certain coin denominations. They also needed improvement to reduce the possibility of fraud or pilferage. CTA has therefore decided to pioneer again because of its concern for the integrity of the overall system.

All suppliers expressed willingness to develop a system improved over those currently in use. The system offered by Duncan Industries, Inc., is already so improved. However, Duncan cannot complete manufacturing of enough equipment for the entire CTA fleet of buses within the time allotted. Therefore, the Board found it necessary to divide the order between two suppliers. Keene Coin Handling Division, Inc., will supply conversion units for existing Johnson K-25 fareboxes.

With the Duncan system, after deposit, the fare drops into a secure cash box, and remains inaccessible in closed locked containers and is transported to a central counting room via armored truck.

The Board also authorized the taking of bids for the purchase of three radio-equipped power-lift-tailgate trucks for transport of vaults at an estimated cost of $90,000 and for high-speed coin sorting and counting machines at an estimated cost of $80,000.

These are the first steps in the installation of an exact fare system, the total cost of which will be about $2,500,000. Chicago Transit Board on July 30 applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation for Federal aid under the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964. If approved, CTA will be reimbursed two-thirds of the cost of the project.

The prime benefit under the exact fare plan is the elimination of holdups of bus operators. Experience in other cities that have the plan has proven this. Other cities were able to institute the plan much sooner than Chicago because they already had locked fareboxes in use. Chicago does not.

For the bus rider, travel time will be speeded up. Passengers will not have to wait to board while bus operators are making change. Street traffic, especially in the Loop and at heavy boarding stops, will be improved because buses will not stand for long periods of time while operators are making change.

Another advantage for CTA bus riders is that all buses will have the same fare-paying procedure. Presently, CTA has two completely different types of fareboxes which at times are confusing for riders.

Fare collection procedures at rapid transit stations will not be changed.

Suggestion Plan Marks 25th Anniversary

THE COMPANY'S first suggestion plan providing monetary awards for cost-saving ideas started in November, 1944, for Shops Department employes of the former Surface Lines. The present system-wide suggestion plan for CTA employes was established on October 1, 1952, and since that time more than $44,-000 in cash awards has been won by CTA employes.

Almost one quarter of the total cash awards was presented to employes who submitted 42 suggestions. These top suggesters, each of whom received or shared a check to the amount of $100 or more, are listed here. Many also received supplemental awards because their idea continued to accrue savings to CTA one year after the idea was adopted.

Newest addition to the list is William P. Rafferty, S&E-South Shops, who received a $100 supplemental award. Two others who received supplemental awards during July are Vernon Howe, S&E-South Shops, who received $25, and Anthony J. DiGiovanni, Stores-West Shops, who received $10.

Three employes who received $25 awards plus an honorable mention award--a $7.00 gift certificate or a Zippo lighter/tape rule set--include Robert Christmon, Utility-Blue Island, and Edward D. Gertz, Engineering-South Shops, who submitted their second adoptable suggestion within a year. Stephen Mattes, S&E-South Shops, earned his award for his newly-adopted suggestion.

Those named for an honorable mention award because they submitted their first adoptable suggestion include: Shops & Equipment—Ronald E. Benson, South Shops, Michael Caselman, Linden, and Joseph Siwek, South Shops. General Office—Robert M. Baxa, Employe Relations, and Doris Yost, Accounting. Retired—Herman Wirth, formerly of the Claim Department.

ACCEPTING HIS cash award of $100 is William P. Rafferty, South Shops Mechanic, who is pictured here with Superintendent of Shops & Equipment L. G. Anderson. Rafferty won an honorable mention award for his suggestion last year, but a review of the savings to CTA through the use of his idea resulted in his winning the supplemental cash award.

Suggesters Winning Awards of $100 or More	Department	Original Award	Supplemental Award	Total Award
William Caffery	Shops & Equipment	$ 100	$	$ 100
James Egan	Shops & Equipment	100		100
Joanne Fenn	Insurance	*	100	100
Ernest Gaeger	Shops & Equipment	100		100
Walter Hallford Sr.	Shops & Equipment	100		100
Leo Kozlowski	Shops & Equipment	100		100
William Rafferty	Shops & Equipment	*	100	100
Henry Redmon Jr.	Operations Control	100		100
Dermont Foley, Joseph Virruso	Shops & Equipment	100		100
Leroy Albers	Shops & Equipment	115		115
James Bittaurna Jr.	Stores	120		120
Leo Kozlowski	Shops & Equipment	120		120
Patrick Nolly	Shops & Equipment	125		125
Leon Walker	Engineering	135		135
Harry Denz	Shops & Equipment	115	30	145
Nick Fieramosca	Shops & Equipment	100	50	150
Nick Fieramosca	Shops & Equipment	150		150
Thomas Hicks, James Nagel	Engineering	150		150
William Stapelton	Engineering	150		150
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Joseph Christoi	Engineering	100	100	200
Charles Gerard, Larry Jareckas	Shops & Equipment	200		200
Andrew Hodowanic	Shops & Equipment	200	*	200
William Mulwee	Engineering	200		200
John Kurgan	Shops & Equipment	206		206
H. Hamilton	Shops & Equipment	210		210
Walter Kreutzer, Robert Mueller	Shops & Equipment	125	85	210
Gerald Christensen, Harold Kramp	Electrical	175	50	225
J. Baro	Shops & Equipment	100	140	240
Ed Bartkus	Shops & Equipment	250		250
Riley January	Shops & Equipment	250		250
A. Redlich	Shops & Equipment	250		250
Ted Szymanski	Shops & Equipment	175	75	250
H. Soderquist	Shops & Equipment	256		256
Willhelm Behnke	Shops & Equipment	300		300
Clemens Hammerschmidt	Shops & Equipment	165	165	330
R. D. Heinlein	Public Information	350		350
John Provenza	Shops & Equipment	267	178	445
Clarence Golz	Shops & Equipment	150	300	450
John Zaroza	Shops & Equipment	450		450
I. R. O'Shaughnessy	Electrical	500		500
James Forrestal	Shops & Equipment	2,000		2,000
		$9,174	$1,208	$10,382

* Honorable Mention Award

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin, CTA Medical Consultant

TOGETHERNESS—SECRET OF WEIGHT WATCHERS

THE WEIGHT Watchers have proven that fat people can reduce weight successfully when in a group, even though they follow the same program which failed when they were alone.

Yes, it seems that the "loner" is too weak to accomplish weight reduction by himself. In a group, however, the same individual follows the example of the other members and attains success. In other words, the fat person in a group becomes ashamed of himself if he does not lose weight.

History of the Weight Watchers reveals that it originated in 1963 in New York. The four founders were Jean and Mortimer Nidetch and Felice and Albert Lippert. There are, at present, 72 franchises and about 1,500,000 members. The organization seems to be growing rapidly and most of its members are very enthusiastic about it.

The principal requirements or rules are: teamwork or mutual support, strict attendance to weekly meetings with an accounting of results for each person, and member encouragement. Re-education of food values and eating habits are also parts of the program. Each member pays a small weekly fee and must attend 16 consecutive meetings. At the end of these meetings any member is eligible for an award if he has lost ten pounds. Weight Watchers strongly advises that you consult your physician before or during the program.

Part of the regime is the regular eating of three meals each day, weighing the foods and recording their own weight daily. People are helped very much by encouragement from other members. Lots of courage is needed to follow the proper diet and will power or self control is also important.

A menu of meals is suggested and a list of calorie-free or low calorie foods is given--as is a list of foods which are absolutely forbidden. Space prevents a detailed discussion of these long lists of foods.

The weight problem is or should be everybody's business. It is a universal one. Superstitions about the fat and the lean have prevailed since the beginning of time. Fat people, thin people, young and old, and the rich and poor are now conscious of their weight. It has not always been that way though. Many years ago fat seemed to be desirable--it was a tangible and visible sign of prosperity. Some people even believed that fat persons are kind and gentle while the thin ones were mean and malicious.

According to Dr. Fishbein's book on this subject, overweight is mostly the result of a bad system of bookkeeping of food calories and weight. The unsuccessful people never learn how to subtract or take away certain foods in their diet.

Of course, there are a few exceptions. I am sure we can all recall at least one person who eats excessively and yet does not gain weight. We must not forget that obesity is not only related to the number of calories taken in, but also in the way the calories are utilized or burned up.

Obesity or overweight is usually defined as a body weight 20 per cent in excess of the average. Of course, an honest look in the mirror is a quick and easy way to tell if you are overweight. The urge to eat is a primitive and powerful instinct which is associated with the desire and will to live.

Obesity has a very definite relationship to health and disease. There is aboslutely no doubt that proper weight is essential to good health and efficiency. We also know that overweight predisposes to heart disease, diabetes, high blood pressure, arthritis, liver disease, and many other ailments. Statistics prove that overweight decreases life expectancy.

It is never too late, so why not get started on a weight control program today.

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Mary Roach Retires With 48 Years' Service

AFTER WORKING in the capacity of stenographer and secretary for a combined total of more than 48 years in the service of Chicago Surface Lines and CTA, Mary (Wiley) Roach retired on August 1.

Mrs. Roach started as a stenographer in the CSL Engineering Department on February 3, 1921. In 1926 she became chief stenographer and secretary to the CSL auditor and in 1929 she was advanced to the position of secretary to John E. Wilke, assistant to the vice president, where she remained until the death of Mr. Wilke in 1934. Mrs. Roach served in various capacities until 1943 when she was appointed secretary to E. J. McIraith, CSL general manager. She continued to serve as his secretary following his appointment as management assistant of CTA with the consolidation of transit properties in 1947, and remained in that capacity until the retirement of Mr. McIraith in 1951.

Between 1952 and 1961 Mrs. Roach served as secretary and personnel assistant to E. A. Imhoff, general superintendent of personnel, until his retirement. She was appointed secretary and personnel assistant to Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn in October, 1961, the position held until the time of her retirement.

Mrs. Roach was honored July 30 at a retirement dinner arranged by fellow employes. More than 170 of her co-workers and former associates were in attendance. Mrs. Roach and her husband, John, are shown above with gifts which were presented to them by Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn (left) and Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.

18 Graduate from Rapid Transit Supervisor Class

HAVING COMPLETED the Transportation Department rapid transit traffic supervisor's training program, the 18 employes pictured here have qualified for assignment to the supervisory pool where they will be available to fill vacancies as they occur. Members of the class are also available to fill temporary assignments, as needed, to familiarize them with actual working conditions.

Members of the class pictured here are, from left to right: First row--C. Mathews, D. Curry, T. McDonaugh, K. Brown, H. Horn, and B. Williams. Second row--C. Faust, J. Zepp, M. Thomas, J. Franklin, T. Hughes, J. Washington, D. Sledge, and N. Coman, Back row--J. Blaino, W. Mann, A. Zagel, A. Jones, and Rapid Transit Supervising Instructor J. W. Brucker.

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (Payroll) -

After spending many successful years in the Payroll Department, BILL PARRILLO will transfer to the Budget Department. Although we will miss him, with his quiet and efficient manner, we wish him much success and happiness in his new venture. He will be succeeded by AL LATHOUWERS from Revenue Accounting, so we put out the welcome mat for Al and hope he will enjoy working with us... Another new face in our midst belongs to a cute little colleen named MAUREEN HOULIHAN...We are happy to have JUDY MACZAK who was graduated from Mary Grove college in June. She hopes to work for her masters degree in clinical psychology at Wayne university...The CTA members who will be taking the trip to Portugal and Spain in September will have many wonderful experiences in store for them. Your scribe took a trip similar to the one sponsored by the CTA and thoroughly enjoyed it. The flight to Lisbon is very fast and smooth and before you know it you are there. Portugal is such a lovely country, so clean and quaint, very scenic, and the people are so friendly. We especially enjoyed the beautiful city of Lisbon and the charming fishing village of Sesimbra, with the colorful fishing boats in the harbor. We think of Spain as a land of "guitars and castanets" but in addition, there are such majestic mountains, rolling plains, different trees, colorful flowers and birds, and just gorgeous scenery; and, of course, the fantastic Costa del Sol. It was interesting to see the ancient city walls, and aqueducts built by the Romans centuries ago.

- Clara Lawrence

(Tabulating) -

PAT SCHOENBAUM spent her vacation in wonderful Chicago, and I understand that the shops on the southwest side that specialize in ladies "ready-to-wear" had their sales increased 75 per cent...CLARENCE BUTHMAN and his family spent their vacation in Waterloo, Illinois, near St. Louis, Missouri, in order to acquaint their new baby, BRAD, with all of his relatives...A quick recovery to HERB ROHDE who injured his fingers in an office accident. Well, there goes your golf game for a while, Herb...Condolences to DAN FRUSOLONE and his family on the loss of his mother, Mrs. MARY FRUSOLONE, who passed away July 9.

- Evelyn Leu

(Revenue) -

Though the summer is slowly coming to a close, our vacationers have returned with memorable thoughts of their vacation experiences. LOIS JAHNKE spent her holiday in Williamsburg, Virginia, touring its many historic monuments. Of course, after all the rain we've had, finding sunshine was best of all...DELOIS HILL took advantage of the Windy City during her leisure time visiting and catching up on those little things we keep putting off...Having "sun and fun" was what ALICE ARKIN and her husband, BERT, had when they visited Nassau and Miami. Alice and Bert found Nassau especially picturesque with its touch of British accent, and driving on the left side of the street probably made a difference also...With the spirit of a leprechaun, KATHY SLOYAN returned to Ireland to visit her family and friends. County Mayo is Kathy's place of origin, and she remarked that the tall castles and colorful hillsides leave no question why it is called the Emerald Isle...The welcome mat is extended to JEANNE FITZGERALD from Public Information. Jeanne is now secretary to Mr. A. J. FITZSIMONS...Hello to MARTY WILMSEN from West Shops...The best of luck to AL LATHOUWERS who transferred to the Payroll Department. Al always did like figures. Numerical that is. A warm welcome to ROD HEFFERNAN from General Accounting who is replacing Al... Our condolences are expressed to MARIE FOLZ on the recent death of her mother-in-law, EVA FOLZ, on July 7. Services were held at St. Nicholas church...Hi, LORRAINE McEVILLY! Good to see you back...It must be true that Methods and Procedures is constantly growing! Proud father TOM BOLDT and his wife, GAIL, gave birth to DONNA LAURI on June 7. Tom has two other children, MIKE, three years old, and DEBRA, one year...Good luck to KAREN LAWLER who recently left the CTA family. Karen and her proud husband, RICHARD, will soon be starting a family of their own.

- Clotilde Mrzena

BEVERLY -

Operator WILLIAM JONES was honored twice recently when he was elected to be a trustee of Robbins, Illinois, and was also ordained as a minister. Congratulations, Bill, we need more good men who will take an active part in civic affairs, and will learn how to open a door quietly, so it will not be slammed in their face...Pensioner ERNIE TOCCI was honored at Mt. Carmel High school where he was chosen "Man of the Year". We will never do all the work Ernie has done in his lifetime, but none of us has a wonderful wife like ANNE who is the most gracious woman any man could have. We hope both of you will have many more happy years together...We wish a speedy recovery to Operator FRANK BLACK who is on the sick list. Hurry back, Frank, we still need a good man to train all the students...Vacation time is here and we would like to hear from all of you, so drop us a card so we can have some news to write. Thanks, brothers.

- Tom Daniels

CONGRESS (Agents) -

Motorman W. SZOFER returned to Stuttgart, Germany, and Poland after an absence of 19 years. There will be many happy reunions during his five-week stay...MARY DOYLE is spending seven happy weeks in Wexford, Ireland. Although there are several counties between her and MOLLIE SHIELDS, they plan to spend some time together...Our deepest sympathy to the family of EUGENE SCHAEFFER who passed away on June 29. What started out to be a happy vacation ended in tragedy...Mass was said at St. Rosalies church for Motorman HENRY HERRICKSON on Tuesday, June 24. Our condolences to his beloved family... Mass was also said for Pensioner BENJAMIN TARGOSZ on

Friday, June 27, at Five Holy Martyrs church. Mr. Targosz was on pension for many years but is still remembered by many who had worked with him...We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Agent LAWRENCE FRICOT who passed away on June 30...Agent NANCY THOMAS and her sister, MARY, and Agent TOMORROW LEE had a grand time in Northern Wisconsin...Our heartfelt sympathy to the family of REGINALD BURROWS who suddenly passed away...Switchman CLAUDE KINARD was recently gradauted from Roosevelt college, and as a special treat, went to Washington, D.C...The student agents held their annual picnic at Pottawattamie Park on Sunday, July 13...Agent MARY NOLAN and her sister, ELIZABETH, decided on a vacation in Colorado. They plan to spend most of their time at Colorado Springs...We were sorry to hear that MARGARET McBRIDE was in the hospital, and we hope that she is well on the road to recovery...Agent ROBERT CLACZYNSKI basked in the sunshine and did some fishing in Fon du Lac, Wisconsin...JOSEPH VANEK and EMMA RICHARDSON had a memorable time in Memphis, Tennessee. They would like to do it again, soon...PATRICIA WILFORD and her mother and daughter had a most interesting and eventful vacation in Jamaica. While there, Patricia had a chance to go deep sea fishing...VIOLET MOHRING and her two grandchildren flew to Hawaii via Seattle, Washington. Who had the most fun, grandma or the youngsters?..LEON HEGWOOD and his wife went to California on their vacation. They have friends in San Francisco and Santa Barbara... CALVIN and CLARENCE THOMAS wish to express their appreciation to all their friends and co-workers for their kindness and thoughtfulness to them, their mother, and their family on the loss of their father on June 30. Calvin and his wife, CECILIA, and their six-year old son, CALVIN Jr., took a California vacation. The high point of the trip was Disneyland. Which of the three had the most fun?.. STANLEY BANALS is fending for himself these days because his wife, BERNICE, left for Cape Kennedy for a visit with their son and his family. He is a technician on the base, and she was in time to see the men take off for the moon. How thrilling it must have been for her to have a son doing his part for the moon mission.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL (Blue Island) -

A very happy retirement to DANIEL McEVOY who retired June 1...Best wishes to DONNA KAMINSKI who left at the end of June to await the arrival of her first child... MARGARET and EDWARD MENZEL are the proud parents of SCOTT EDWARD, born on March 21, weighing in at 7 pounds 10 ounces. ED MENZEL is the proud grandfather... CHESTER MATUSZEWSKI and his wife, DOROTHY, vacationed in Camdenton, Missouri. He caught his quota of fish, as yours truly enjoyed a delicious fish dinner...JOHN DARCY vacationed in Arizona, C. SCHUMACKER in Bull Shoals, Arkansas, and the BOB BOOTH family visited the Blue Ridge Mountains. DUANE REED and his family toured Estes National Park, and BENNY BONIFAY and his wife visited the Middle East and the Orient...Put a ring around September 21 on your calendars. That is the date of the office picnic which will be held at Beemis Woods...Get well wishes to the following who are out sick at the time of this writing: J. MADIGAN, J. O'DONNELL, L. DONOFRIO, ED FLAHERTY, A. McDERMOTT, W. MOORE, and AMOS SMITH. A speedy recovery to all of you...Our birthday list is unusually large because I missed the last issue. So, for the month of May, happy birthday to: G. QUICK, F. CORRIGAN, T. WYNCOTT, A. MAXWELL, W. BANICKI, V. KEE, A. WILMONT, G. CHRISTENSEN, D. GARDNER, and J. FINLAY. For June, happy birthday to: J. CICHON, F. LUNDIE, E. TEGTOW, W. LOOS, A. BOSCO, F. MARRIANE, J. WEAVER, J. MURPHY, W. CLEMENS, H. GEIER, W. CARLSON, L. WINOWITZ, H. LODDING, and P. JANKE. For July: W. NELSON, B. JAWMAN, R. BOOTH, C. SCHUMACKER, H. GABUER, M. FELTON, J. BECKER, D. W. MOORE, R. TAUSCH, J. O'DONNELL, F. CLEMENS, B. TOAL, D. RYAN, A. SCHUSTER, and R. ROCK. It's just a shame you all don't work at Blue Island because when it's your birthday, you buy the coffee and rolls.

THIS ATTENTIVE young man is, PFC. JOHN W. HOYNE, the son of Archer Operator and Mrs. JOHN G. HOYNE, who is now stationed with the Military Police Detachment in Cu Chi, Viet Nam.

- William Rehder

(General Office) -

We extend best wishes for the future to RAY BIENAZ and his bride, JOAN, who were married on June 14. They spent their honeymoon in New Orleans and Miami...DONNA KAMINSKI, our former scribe, was the guest of honor at a luncheon on June 27 in Henrici's restaurant. Many friends and co-workers from the Mart, Chicago Avenue shop, and Blue Island were present to wish her much happiness. Donna will devote full time to the good life of the everyday housewife and mother-to-be. It was great to have S. DANECKE and C. J. BUCK, our retirees, with us on that day... SANDRA CLAUSEN, formerly of Real Estate, will be our new stenographer. Welcome, Sandy...Vacation time has arrived and off we go. KEN MIKOTA and his family visited relatives in Tucson, Arizona. Ideal weather was great for swimming, sun bathing, and just having a wonderful time. The MIKE RICKSONS drove to "Lake of the Ozarks" for a little relaxation. MARIE HAVLIK was the guest of her sister, BERNIECE, at Rockville, Maryland. They took side trips to Annapolis Naval Academy and historic Mt. Vernon.

- Kay McAlister

ENGINEERING—RESEARCH & PLANNING -

CAROL RADMAN has been incapacitated for some time with a dislocated knee. We hope she will soon be able to return to work...PAUL MINOGUE made a move to a new home in Forest Park. We wish him luck...Research and Planning welcomes and congratulates BILL GOODWIN who transferred from Skokie Shops. He asked that we say "hi" to Indian Joe for him...Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE MACAK and

THIS HAPPY bride and groom are Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM LeMONNIER who were united in marriage on May 10 at St. Gall's church. The bride is the former LINDA GIERLASINSKI, stenographer in the Engineering Department.

their son, CHUCKY, drove down to Tampa, Florida, in their new air-conditioned Pontiac for a three-week vacation. In addition to attending a train collectors' convention, George revisited some of his old "haunts" in the Tampa area for the first time since World War II army days. The only mishap was getting caught by a Florida state trooper for doing 85 miles per hour...WAYNE ANDERS, the son of HERMAN ANDERS, was graduated from Northern Arizona university at Flagstaff, Arizona. He is now studying for his masters degree at the same school.

Mr. and Mrs. FRANK MISEK drove out east to Attleboro, Massachusetts, to visit their son and see his new home. They spent several days on Cape Cod, including a trip to Nantuckett Island where they rode bikes and did some fishing. They motored on to Philadelphia to see some of the historic spots. They drove down to Washington, D.C., and visited a niece who also bought a new home, and visited several of the highlights like the White House and President Kennedy's grave and took a side trip to see George Washington's home in Mount Vernon. Frank says it was a most enjoyable vacation.

(West Shops) -

W. KLEMPIER, supervisor of building maintenance, retired July 1 after 22 years with the company. If everyone remembers, Mr. Klempier was honored at a luncheon along with R. J. SHANKLIN at Sloviks Hall. Friends and well-wishers presented him with 12 brand new golf balls. Being quite a golf enthusiast, Mr. Klempier's main goal is to eventually get a hole-in-one. A second luncheon was held for Walter at Paolellas. He said his plans are to take a fishing trip to Miami first then go to Las Vegas, and in the future, buy a home and settle down in Wisconsin...Congratulations are in order for several who received promotions recently. HAROLD BERNDT and WALLY HALLFORD were selected to fill the post Mr. W. KLEMPIER left when he retired. ROCKY FERRARO was selected for the position of general labor foreman when H. Berndt was promoted. JOE HARRIS was made a labor foreman, filling the post of R. Ferraro. Good luck to all of these fellows...Now about vacations. LEO FELCKOWSKI, carpenter foreman, spent his two-week vacation at home tending to his grandchildren. I'll bet he could use another vacation after his vacation. Rocky Ferraro spent two weeks in Hawaii visiting the Islands of Hilo, Cona, and Maui, and one week in Honolulu. He and his wife especially enjoyed a luau they attended, with roasted pig, dancing girls, and native drinks. Wow! Now that's a way to spend a vacation. Track Foreman JIMMY SMITH spent a two-week vacation in Cleveland, Ohio, and Memphis, Tennessee, visiting his children, grandchildren, and cousins. I don't know in what order this was, but I do know he really got around in those two weeks. ED HESS, chief clerk, spent a two-week vacation fishing--but caught no fish. Well, at least he didn't return with a great big whopper about the one that got away. JOE CHRISTOI spent a week's vacation at home with guests from Seattle. He decided that Chicago had its points of interest so he spent the week giving his friends the grand tour...Those of you who didn't attend the recent Building Department picnic really missed a treat. There were games, contests, races, and plenty of food for all who did attend. From secret sources, I hear that HAROLD BERNDT gave the folks a run for their money in the rope jumping contest...WEST SHOPS FLASH: What track foreman is currently afflicted with a case of housemaid's knees?

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

The annual Division 241 golf tournament held on Monday, July 14, at St. Andrews Golf club proved to be a great success. More so for the Forest Glen garage as the results showed the 1969 champion to be our own JIM KUCHARCZYK who shot a 3 over par 75. The handicap trophy was won by E. LEE, a guest of Operator CHRIS GILBERT. Our Milwaukee avenue Operator ANDY LEE was declared the 1969 Forest Glen champ and awarded the depot trophy after a tie with DAN NONCEK and CHRIS GILBERT; all had a 67. Others who finished in the high 60's and 70's were: KEN CZACHOWSKI, LOU GLOWACKI, TED GALUS, FRANK PARTIPILIO, ED STOBART, CHRIS PANTOS, TOM VALENZA, JOE MOLLO, JIM HAGERTY, LES RAGE, DANNY MANZO, AL NEHLS, JOE LOCOCO, STAN ANDREWS, JOHN KURINEC, GEORGE FUENTES, TONY SONJU, and MORRIE BUCKLEY. As per usual custom, WALTER PONDEL and HANK ZIOLKOWSKI brought up the rear, shooting in the 80's and barely getting the booby prize. I think Wally and Hank should take some lessons from Andy and Jim. Witnessing the presentation of the awards were: Division 241 President WARREN SCHOLL, DAN McFADDEN, recording secretary, JIM PATE, treasurer, Superintendent of Transportation D. M. FLYNN, ROBERT QUETSCHKE, assistant to superintendent of operating stations, and Committee Chairman FRANK V. LASKE. Joe Mollo covered the event by taking colored movies of the affair. By the way, Joe was using his foot to push the ball in the tournament. No wonder he has a sore right foot. We better keep an eye on this boy. Our thanks to the committee on a fine job and we are all looking forward to next year's outing...Sorry to learn that our good friend and former Forest Glen operator JIM ROEBER suffered a heart attack. He expects to be released from the hospital in August...Get well wishes are sent to Instructor CLARENCE LEMKE who, at this time, is confined to Resurrection hospital...Get well wishes are also sent to TED THOMPSON who is confined in Hines hospital. ..EDMUND LAUBE became the new grandfather at our station when his daughter had a baby girl in July...MATT BOREK attended the State VFW convention in Peoria, Illinois...WILL LYONS, sporting a new car, made a fast trip to Michigan during his vacation with his lovely wife, JULIE. ..Skipper TED STANEK is now cruising the lakes in his new boat with all the extras. He still needs a ship to shore radio to make it complete...Birthday greetings to the "10" Club, JAY LOMBARDO, TED GALUS, FRANKIE GRIES, and

AL PFEIFFER who is now enjoying his pension...All that bragging and no proof, could be the title to a fishing story by our sporting group of GEORGE DILLAS, GEORGE WICKMAN, WALTER MIELA, GEORGE SPORLEDER, and BARNEY ANDREWS. I guess we will have to wait and see what MIKE KOMPANOWSKI and his gang caught In Minnesota on their expedition. I'm sure they will have the proof. ..ED (Chappie) CHAPLESKI and his head accordian player, PAUL WINKOWSKI, will audition on radio station WTAQ, LaGrange, in the near future. Be sure and tune your radios in when the date will be announced. They are still looking for a drummer...Supervisor ROBERT BARBER and his lovely wife, SHIRLEY, have finally hit their 25th wedding anniversary. The very best to this fine couple. Yours truly had the pleasure of speaking to Shirley and she still calls Robert "lover boy." I guess some have it and some don't. They have a son, ROBERT Jr., in Viet Nam where he has received his second purple heart with a bronze star. May the good Lord watch over him. Their second son, PAUL, is at Camp Polk and their youngest son, DAVID, is a junior in high school...A proud grandfather was Operator DE MAYO when he reported that his new grandson, ROBERT ANTHONY WILCNZSKI, was born on May 28 and weighed 7 pounds 8 ounces...G. SPORLEDER, G. WICKMAN, E. DIETZ, G. DILLAS, BILL LYNAM, and WALTER MIELA all reported good fishing on their vacations. These fine gentlemen make the trip to Minnesota each year and each year they return with the limit. I've never seen any of the big ones they talk about, but I'll take their word for it...Mr. and Mrs. TRYGVE BERG and their son, DAVID REEGER, and his family have returned from a ten-day vacation in Northglenn, Colorado, where they visited Estes Park, Central City (where Trygve stole a red garter off the leg of a mini-skirted waitress), Seven Falls, Colorado Springs, Garden of the Gods, and the Air Force Academy. Their oldest son, Lt. Commander H. LAWRENCE REEGER, and his family visited with them while enroute from Alameda Naval Air Station, California, to their new station in Kingsville, Texas, where he will be a navy jet instructor. Trygve's cousin, ESTHER SMITH, was a passenger on a bus in Washington, D.C., when a weary old lady pushed her way onto the bus, pushed her way to the rear of the bus, signalled when she wanted the next stop and stood on the step. When the rear door didn't open up, she frantically called out, "I want to get off here." The driver called back, "Well, push lady," and she answered, "But there's nobody in front of me!"

- W. A. Henry (Don't call me Wilbur)

GENERAL OFFICE (Law) -

CEILE BAGGS is home from the hospital, and from what we hear, is now well on the road to recovery. We sure miss your smiling face.

(Treasury) -

JAYNE O'CONNELL became engaged and is now flashing a diamond. Wedding plans are set for next year. Best of luck!

(Insurance) -

LELA BRANGAN, former hospitalization clerk, gave birth to a bouncing baby boy on June 26 weighing in at 6 pounds 5 ounces and named KEVIN JOHN...The welcome mat is extended to JOYCE SCHALLER, student at Carbondale university, who joined the department for summer work...JOANNE FENN flew out to California to be with her husband who was discharged from the service and upon their return will make their home in Skokie, Illinois...Sorry to hear SYLVIA COLEMAN transferred to Claim Department as clerk-typist. Best wishes are sent to her on her new job...The girls in the Insurance Department took LORENA BERDA out to dinner at Jim Sains' restaurant before she became Mrs. LARRY NORKIEWICZ on July 12 at St. Ann's church in Lansing, Illinois.

(Public Information) -

JOHN and VIOLET BURGESON attended the wedding of their son, JOHN Jr., to JANE ANN THOMAS in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on June 7. John, who worked at the CTA General Office during summer vacations, is director of music at the Bexley Methodist church in Columbus, Ohio, where the couple now resides.

(Reproduction Services) -

CAROLINE WILSON, typist, started her vacation with an unfortunate accident while traveling on a Greyhound bus. She received serious injuries and is home recuperating. Wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to her...DOROTHY WILHELM just returned from a week's vacation in Phoenix, Arizona, where she visited her sister, PAULINE, a former CSL employe.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neuraster

KEDZIE -

To all our operators and their families, I hope those of you who have had your vacations, had a wonderful time. I would like to hear of your travels so I can put them in our column...Our accident record at Kedzie is very bad. I know we won't finish first in the Interstation Safety Contest, but if we strive just a little harder and keep more alert, we can make a good showing. So let's give it our best...Division 241 had their annual golf tournament at St. Andrews Country club and had a good turnout. Many prizes were awarded, plus door prizes for those who just came for the dinner. It's always good to attend these affairs for you meet many of your fellow workers who have changed stations. It's like a family reunion. Division 241 First Vice-President WILLIAM LARSEN was the master of ceremonies and did a wonderful job. In attendance were: Division 241 President and Business Agent WARREN SCHOLL, Recording Secretary DAN McFADDEN, Treasurer JAMES PATE, and Superintendent of Transportation DAVID FLYNN. Pensioner DAVE CLARK was there and he also played golf. Kedzie was well represented as well as all the other stations...To all our operators who are having anniversaries this month, we wish you many more years of happiness... Our deepest sympathy is extended to Operator A. DOMINICK in the passing of his father, Operator J. GILIO on the passing of his sister, and Operator G. SULLIVAN on the passing of his father-in-law...Your credit union is always ready to serve you, but by the same token, help your credit union. Save a little each payday for in this way you can help another fellow worker in need.

- Raymond Graham

LAWNDALE -

While on the sick list I heard from BILL MOSER, JESSE CINCUS, HARRY COX, MILO MEYERS, and ED KAWCZYN-

SKI. Thanks, fellows, nice to hear from you. I hear that my friend PETE MOLFESE was also sick but is back to work now...Received a card from L. MINOR from Ohio. He says the fish are not biting but the mosquitoes are. How's the Wurzburger?..Glad to see Instructor DAVID HINMAN at Lawndale. Welcome aboard, Dave...Bus Placer JOHN (Archer) WOJNICKI went on his vacation and will have a few things to tell when he gets back...Our baseball team wishes to give many thanks to Board Member EARL WASHINGTON and the Lawndale Federal Credit Union for their new baseball jerseys...I understand they have been on the winning end lately and maybe next time I can give you more information about them. Oh, LIL ROGERS, where are you? ..Sorry to hear that CARL BUEHRING passed away in Van Nuys, California, and also the death of Operator WILL GUERTIN's daughter, SHIRLEY GUERTIN, who was buried on July 8. Shirley worked for the CTA in the General Office. Our deepest sympathy...Ever since I wrote a story about JOE LUSCALZO and BILL LISIECKI, they have picked on the same street and are real buddies doing each other favors. Now, I think I did my good turn for the day... In the Interstation Safety Contest we are doing good. They say, "We were great in '68, let's shine in '69." We will do that and make it a reality...See you later.

- Larry Keating

KEELER -

Keeler Station is very delighted to welcome back the college students employed for the summer that were here before, and also those that are working for the first time. These young men enable some of the old timers to enjoy a quiet, relaxing vacation at some secluded resort, catching fish by the dozen, and to just reminisce about the old days. For the younger fellows, it gives them a chance to wander along the beaches, and to relax in the friendly confines of Wrigley Field watching those amazing Cubs. While we are on the subject, let's take a few lines to talk about our own softball team. Their latest victim was Beverly Station, which they walloped 18-9. On Sunday, August 3, they will take on Lawndale Station which is undefeated so far, but I think we can break their magic spell...Operator JAZEK is off to capture the world in photography aboard a World Airlines jet. No matter where he is going, I am sure he will return with tales and pictures of his tour...The son of Operator B. ZENTMEYER had a wonderful time while honeymooning in the Bahamas. He caught some huge barracudas while there and has the picture to prove it...Your co-reporter, ERNEST CARTER, and his wife, VIRGIL, jetted to Las Vegas and returned home broke but happy, then they decided they would drive to St. Louis for the weekend...Operator WILLIAM WORKS and his wife, ELOUISE, celebrated their 4th wedding anniversary on July 2. Mrs. Works will also celebrate her birthday on August 23. Congratulations and happy birthday...Operator PETERS and his family just returned from a tour of the East coast, Philadelphia, Atlantic City, and New York. Wow! Pete, you better watch out, friendly Bob may be looking for you. Just kidding, pal...So long for now.

- Ernest C. Carter & Anthony Berry

LIMITS -

Operator EDWARD ROONEY and his dear wife are mighty proud of their two sons. On June 11 their son, TOM, was graduated from DePaul university with full honors, and on the same day their other son, EDWARD, and his wife presented the Rooney family with a baby boy. Congratulations!..Supervisor HENRY GOETZ returned to work after his vacation in Taycheetah, Wisconsin, where he was busy working on his home...Superintendent M. H. DeWITT and his dear wife, RUTH, enjoyed a memorable vacation in Puerto Rico where they visited many places of historic interest...Operator E. BUCHWITZ enjoyed himself up in cool Fort Frances, Ontario, where he caught his limit of fish...THOMAS WISE, the son of Receiver JOHN WISE, returned from Viet Nam after his tour of duty where he received a high award and honorable mention for his outstanding performance in training the men in his command... Supervisor JOHN PERKINS and his wife, DIANE, welcomed a baby boy by the name of KENNETH ANDREW into their home last month. Congratulations to the proud parents... Former Supervisor TOM EGAN has been in the Illinois Masonic hospital for surgery. He is now well on the road to recovery...Pensioner CLINT WELLS reports that his mother-in-law passed away and was buried in Gillespie, Illinois. She was 83 years of age and had 5 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. Our sincerest sympathy to the Wells family...ROMAN BIALECKI, pensioner, and also the mother of Operator RALPH VENN passed away. Our sincerest sympathy to the families of these departed ones.

- R. S. Benson

LOOP -

Our warmest thoughts reach out to Clerk JOHN CAROLAN and his wife in understanding sympathy in the loss of their son, TIMOTHY J., U.S. Army, who died in Viet Nam on June 18...Several agents who did not know about the passing of Agent J. BAREKMAN's mother would like to extend their sympathy at this time...One afternoon, in the latter part of June, several of the agents along the Lake Street line were handed a very pretty red rose. From who? Why retired Janitor I. CHRISTMAS, of course. He came around to say hello and to show the gals how nice his roses were growing. He said he spends most of the day working in his lovely garden...Just the other day, an old time student agent passed through my station. It was KEN DURMA. I am sure many of the agents remember him and his brother, DON. We mentioned many of the girls and fellows who were here at that time. Ken said that most of them were married and had little ones and very good jobs. Don is married and has two lovely children. Ken spoils these two little ones and so does grandma and grandpa. But, why not?..Agent M. HAASE had a birthday in June. Her children had a nice cook-out for her and a big birthday cake...Collector V. NORSTROM had a birthday in June. He spent all morning trying to get 56 candles on a small cake with no luck. Then he went to the races--no luck--lost his shirt. Oh well, better luck in 57, Norstrom...Collector T. RAPP loves uniforms and thinks he looks great in them. So for about six months, he is putting his CTA uniform in moth balls and is changing to the army green. Good luck and hurry back...There were happy birthday wishes spreading at the home of Agent JULIE MATTRAN on June 22. Her husband had his 39th, and their one and only little granddaughter was one month old. To be sure, the baby received most of the attention that day, but grandpa didn't mind...Can it be Janitor SCHULTZ's pleasing personality or his nice clean stations that keeps him on the top of the popularity list? All the agents keep asking him to pick their stations.

Well we found out that it is both, personality and clean stations. Three cheers for Schultz...Was Janitor CIVITO missed while on his vacation? You can say that again. When Jim returned he had more work and cleaning to do than the gang ever had. It didn't take him long to get with it and the stations were sparkling once again. Even the passengers said it was a pleasure to go through Austin station as the floors and stairs were so clean...Our deepest sympathy to the family of Clerk E. SCHAEFFER who lost his life while on vacation at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. ..Our heartfelt sympathy to Agent MARGIE JACKSON on the loss of her husband...At a time like this, there is so little we can do except let the family of Agent L. FRICOT know our thoughts go out in sympathy to them.

- Mildred Doyle

LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Congratulations to former Ticket Agent MICHAELENE MEDUNCIA on the birth of her fine, healthy son...LINDA TAMPINS' son, ANDREI, was graduated from Christ Lutheran Elementary school and will be attending Lutheran North High school in the fall. Linda had a graduation party complete with champagne for Andrei and his friends... MARION KAAD spent her vacation visiting her daughter in Mamaroneck, New York...TOM RAPP and BOB FRITZ are off to Ft. Leonard Wood to begin their basic training for the army reserves. Good luck to both of them...VERNE NORSTROM spent his vacation fishing in Wisconsin...The best of luck to JACKIE HOLMES who took maternity leave on July 25. The party held for Jackie at the assignment office was great fun, and we wish to thank MARCIA ERINBURG for the extra calories...PAT WILFORD spent her vacation in Jamaica and had a swinging time...BARB POSUCH was graduated from Mundelein college and will be teaching in the suburb of Lyons this fall...JACK BRADENBURG was graduated from Loyola and will be attending law school in the fall...This year's student picnic was a great success. The West Side students beat the North Siders in a game of baseball, but I received conflicting reports on the outcome of the game. The North Side students claimed that the West Side cheated, but a reliable source informed me of the fact that the North Siders were so bad that they had to call the game...TAHITA MARTIN's twins, JAMES and DAVID, were graduated from kindergarten. Tahita was very proud when David was chosen to hold the flag for the ceremony... LARRY LATHAM and SPIRO LAMPROS have vowed to go on diets. The next time you see them, test their willpower by tempting them with a jelly roll...Superintendents RALPH DEMARIA, LEO BIEN, and J. P. HALLAHAN are back to work after their vacations. It's good to see them back... BILL GILL is still on the sick list. Heard he's feeling better and hopes to be back to work soon...And from our underground--HENRY MYRON HANDLEMAN, the famous comedian, is presently employed by the CTA under an alias.

- Katie Moriarty

NORTH AVENUE -

Operator WILLIAM MORELAND took a trip to Maryland on June 18 to attend the wedding of his mother. She is 73 years young, and was married to WALTER SHERBERT who is 72. The families celebrated the event, and we send them our congratulations...Operator VAL KREISEL and his wife, MARIE, are grandparents for the fifth time. STEPHEN CHARLES NAIDA was born June 6 at Elmhurst hospital to ARLINE and CHARLES NAIDA. Congratulations to all. Val has four grandsons and one granddaughter...Garage Clerk WAYNE MIEDEMA and his wife, BONNIE, celebrated their second wedding anniversary on August 5...One of my fishing buddies, Pensioner LARS ERNEST PEARSON, and his wife, ANNA, bought a home and moved to 519 Russell street, Mountain Home, Arkansas 72653. If any of you are going down that way, Ernie will be able to show you some fine fishing spots. We have letters from other pensioners which we were happy to receive. Pensioner ART MOILANEN writes that he has been enjoying good fishing. He dipped a couple of hundred pounds of smelt and caught a three pound rainbow trout with his bare hands. He's been busy working on a garden for his folks. He sends regards to his friends at North Avenue. We hope his wife, BETTY, is in tip-top shape after her illness. Pensioner ELMER DEEGAN writes that he has enjoyed visits from JERRY RING, AUGIE JOHNSON, GEORGE STILLWELL, BENNY KEEFER, and WALLY GABRIELSON and his wife. He says Pensioner JOHN JACOBY has a nice home in Scottsdale, Arizona. Elmer says "hello" to all his friends. He will be 73 in August and takes care of an 18-apartment building. Pensioner JOHN "Hurricane" MURPHY writes that he has lost touch with his friend, Pensioner JOSEPH RINEHART. If you read this, Joseph, get in touch with John. John asks to be remembered to all and wants GEORGE BUTLER to know that his pinochle playing has improved. Pensioner BILL ECHOLS writes that he is home from the hospital, but isn't sure if he will be hospitalized again. We pray that all will go well for him. Pensioner HAROLD "Frenchy" LEMIEUX is keeping busy in his garden and doing some fishing near his home in Wautoma, Wisconsin...PETER GERAME Jr., the son of PETER GERAME, repair department, was graduated from Northwestern university on June 14. He specialized in business administration and accounting...Operator PAUL BURGE and his wife spent six weeks traveling in Mexico in their mobile home, "The Flechade Cobra." They parked at the home of friends in Mexico City and made car and train trips to all points of interest. The highlight of their trip was a barbecue fiesta given in their honor by their friends. They entered Mexico at Piedras Negras and left at Reynosa. They made a side trip to Vera Cruz and fished in the Atlantic Ocean. They went to Acapulco to swim in the Pacific Ocean. In all, they covered a total of 5,480 miles. They wish it could have lasted forever and that all their friends could have as wonderful a vacation as they did. Traffic Checker FRANK PONZIO covered quite a bit of territory on his vacation. He visited Rome, London,

PICTURED HERE is pretty MARYANN BRUDNEY, the daughter of North Park Operator GENE BRUDNEY, who was united in marriage to Mr. MICHAEL MARIANO on June 27.

JOINING THE ranks of the retired August 1 were the nine employes pictured here who had 40 or more years of transit service each.

E. JOHNSON
43 Years

C. J. MIDLAND
40 Years

P. A. STOLZ
43 Years

H. H. PECHTER
41 Years

J. W. JOHNSON
40 Years

M. BASSO
40 Years

T. F. MADIGAN
41 Years

F. M. YERMAN
40 Years

W. L. ELDER
40 Years

R. H. ENGWALL
40 Years

J. C. CINKUS
40 Years

NEW PENSIONERS

MATTHEW BASSO, Stock Clerk, South Division, Emp. 8-29-28
PETER J. BELASICH, Chauffeur, Utility & Emerg. Service, Emp. 7-27-36
JAMES J. BOGAN, Laborer, Building, Emp. 5-10-30
ELMER J. BRAUNHOLD, Car Cleaner, Kedzie, Emp. 5-16-39
JESSE C. CINKUS, Operator, Lawndale, Emp. 11-27-28
BERNARD COHEN, Collector, Lawndale, Emp. 3-6-43
KATHERINE M. DWYER, Typist, Stores, Emp. 11-12-42
WILLIAM L. ELDER, Conductor, North Section, Emp. 7-1-29
ROY H. ENGWALL, Operator, Beverly, Emp. 4-22-29
ANDREW R. HICKEY, General Foreman, South Shops, Emp. 6-7-34
ERNEST JOHNSON, Operator, Limits, Emp. 11-11-25
GEORGE J. KRISTOF, Operator, Beverly, Emp. 11-11-36
FRANK KRUZICH, Tractor Operator, South Shops, Emp. 4-11-46
THOMAS LEAHY, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 8-22-29
THOMAS F. MADIGAN, Div. Storekeeper, South Division, Emp. 9-22-27
CARL J. MIDLAND, Adjuster, Claim, Emp. 3-6-29
HARRY H. PECHTER, Laborer, South Division, Emp. 6-22-28
RAPHAEL PFEIFER, Repairer, North Park, Emp. 3-7-47
MARY W. ROACH, Personnel Assistant, Transportation, Emp. 2-3-21
PETER A. STOLZ, Conductor, West Section, Emp. 4-8-26
PAUL SZABO, Car Repairman, 61st Street, Emp. 12-14-36
WALTER P. TAJDUS, Operator, Beverly, Emp. 12-14-36
FRANK M. YERMAN, Repairer, 69th Street, Emp. 1-12-29

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

BENJAMIN S. CZELUSNIAK, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 3-3-43
HUBERT K. DOLL, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 10-25-33
DONALD O. FREY, Operator, Keeler, Emp. 7-8-43
ROBERT N. JEWETT, Operator, 52nd Street, Emp. 2-20-43
JOHN W. JOHNSON, Operator, Archer, Emp. 1-15-29
ALBERT A. LONG, Repairman, Congress, Emp. 11-28-42

Paris, Milan, and Switzerland. Operator RAYMOND RAHN spent his vacation in Arkansas and at the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri. Operator RAY ZIELINSKI and his wife spent their vacation in Las Vegas. They faced 110 degree temperatures. Operator EDWIN AGUAYO and his wife, ALICE, and daughter, IVETTE, flew to Buffalo, New York, then drove to Canada. They stopped at Niagara Falls and it looks like a second honeymoon. Pensioner JAMES MARREN and his wife, MARY, vacationed in San Francisco. Jim says he enjoyed all the night clubs and this was no place for a retreat. They flew TWA. Pensioner ERNEST BOCK, my son, DAVID, and I did some fishing up north. Ernie and his wife, EMILY, visited their daughter in St. Louis when she had an appendectomy operation. We are happy to report her complete recovery. Operator HAROLD WILLIAMSON enjoyed his vacation in Los Angeles...My son, David Miedema, won the Chicago Tribune "straight 'A' student" award, two pairs of tickets to Chicago White Sox games. For a baseball fan like him, it was a welcome prize...I'm sure among our men at North there are many National Guardsmen who just returned from two weeks at camp as my son, Bill Miedema, garage clerk at Forest Glen, did. We're glad you're back safe and sound...Keep the news coming in. We thank the clerks who are so helpful in giving us any items they have. There are many news items your friends would like to know about, but we won't know about them unless you tell us or drop them in the box...We extend our sympathy to Operator ROBERT LEWIS who lost his mother on June 28...Enjoy the Labor Day weekend. Drive carefully if you are traveling.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

The Division 241 A.T.U. golf day outing was held Monday, July 14, at St. Andrews Country club with another large turnout. Prizes were awarded to all who attended. Committee members FRANK LASKE, JIM PAPE, and BILL LARSEN are to be commended for their fine handling of this event. Operator BUCKY WALTERS won the trophy that North Park depot awarded to the golfer turning in the depot's best score...The Tally Ho Golf club, located on Route 45, 2 miles west of Half Day, Illinois, invites all CTA employes and their guests to play their championship golf course. Tally Ho is one of the finest in the Chicago area and the price is $3.75 for weekdays, and $5.75 for weekends...Congratulations to the winners of the Division 241 election, and now may we all pull together for a stronger and better local...Instructors WALTER STEINBEISS, WILLIAM PARNUM, EDWARD SCHAMB, ED WESTON, RAY COLLELO, LOUIS BIENIEK, and ART HIGGINS take this opportunity to thank the line instructors and the temporary line-instructors for their part in the job of breaking in the college students for summer work...TONY BRUNO Jr., the son of Operator TONY BRUNO, was a member of the Holy Cross High school sophomore baseball team. Tony Jr. hit a cool .426 for the season and plays third base on the team. We expect to hear a lot more about this young man in the future...Sanitary Engineer PAUL GOODIN and his wife, GRACE, vacationed at Osseo, Minnesota. Paul and Grace spent considerable time fishing on Lake Clearwater but the results were poor...Sanitary Engineer OSCAR ANDERSON and his wife, LUELLA, vacationed at Sheridan, Illinois. Oscar reports that fishing on the Fox river was excellent... Operator ROY LEMKE took a four-day holiday and drove to Lake Norfolk, Arkansas, where he caught 35 bass weighing up to 4 pounds apiece...Pensioner RAY KENALEY and his wife, ANGELA, toured the southwest and western states on their vacation. Highlights of the trip were visits to Albuquerque, New Mexico, the Grand Canyon, the Rocky Mountains, and the Black Hills of South Dakota...Pensioner JOHN O'NEILL, formerly a motorman at Devon Depot, reports about his trip to Florida and Texas. John has also made two trips to Ireland since going on pension and would like to be remembered to all his friends at the garage...Operator DON BENNETT and his wife, MARIE, vacationed at Las Vegas, Nevada. They enjoyed the floor shows and meals and hope to return again soon...Operator ROY WALDROP and his wife, SHIRLEY, vacationed throughout the Northwest. Highlights of the trip were visits to the Badlands of South Dakota, the Black Hills, and Custer State Park where Roy romped around with the 1,000 head of buffalo. Roy and Shirley were very impressed with the sculptures on Mt. Rushmore...Pensioner JOHN EGAN underwent major surgery at Illinois Masonic hospital, and at this writing is recuperating satisfactorily...Operator RICHARD McAULIFFE was hospitalized at Bethesda hospital and is recovering at home. Mac's address is 7658 N. Sheridan road and he would appreciate cards or visits from his friends...Operator JOHN SUMMERSON has started to diet and hopes to lose enough weight to keep him thinner than his buddy, Operator CARL BAUMGARTNER...Operator JUAN FUENTES has resigned from CTA and is going to become an automobile salesman...Operator JACK URBAN has purchased a '69 Oldsmobile with air conditioning, and now his plans call for a trip to Florida. Operator SIDNEY HUTNICK purchased a '69 Buick Le Sabre and his plans also call for a Florida trip...TIM RICE, the son of Operator GORDEN RICE, was graduated from Taft High school on June 24. Tim enlisted in the United States Air Force, and due to his R.O.T.C. training, will start off with an E2 rating...KEITH CALLENDER, the grandson of Operator BILL and MIN SEIFERT, was graduated from Lockport West High school on June 5. Keith, who was in the upper ten of his class, received a scholarship to the University of Illinois and plans a career in medicine...Operator CONNIE SCHMIT and his wife, FRANCES, became grandparents for the seventh time when their son, THOMAS, and daughter-in-law, PAM, became parents of a son, GREGORY THOMAS, born May 22 at McHenry Community hospital...Operator PAUL COOK and his wife, LAURA, became great grandparents for the first time when their grandson, ROBERT SMITH, and his wife, LEA, became parents of a son, ROBERT BRIAN, born June 24 at Culver City, California, hospital weighing 6 pounds 11 ounces...Operator JOE MIKIETA became a grandfather on June 12 when his daughter, Mrs. MARY JEAN NELSON, gave birth to a daughter named CORINNE ELAINE who was born at Columbus hospital weighing 7 pounds 14 ounces... Operator FRED and ANN ANHALT became grandparents for the third time when a grandson named PHILLIP PAUL ANHALT was born on June 4 at Forreston, Illinois, weighing 7 pounds 14 ounces...Operator CHARLES and MARION ALLEMAN became grandparents for the first time when their son-in-law, DANIEL, and his wife, ALLYNE GIBSON, became parents of a daughter named MELANIE LYNN born June 27 at Lutheran General hospital in Niles, Illinois. Pensioner GARRETT FOY and his wife, JEAN, of Jasonville, Indiana, are the proud grandparents of Melanie...Pensioner JOHN KARASEK and his wife, LILLIAN, became grandparents for the fourth time when their daughter, Mrs. VALDINE STUCKEY, gave birth to a son named PETER MARK born June 7 at Dixon, Illinois, hospital...Ticket Agent FRED FRIEB became a grandfather for the first time

when his daughter, Mrs. DIANNE MERIL, gave birth to a daughter named STACY ANN born July 2...Operator MEL HORNING and his wife, VIOLET, became grandparents for the sixth time when their daughter, Mrs. BETTY DAUM, gave birth to a daughter named SHERRI BETH born July 19 at Ravenswood hospital weighing 6 pounds 14 ounces...Serviceman WILLIAM CANTWELL and his wife, CHRISTINE, became parents of their first child when a son named BRIAN WILLIAM was born on June 8 at Northwest hospital weighing 6 pounds 8 ounces...Operator PAT DOHERTY retired on July 1 after 26 years of service. Pat, who was one of the most popular drivers on Lincoln Avenue, is going to pursue his hobby of fishing and expects to settle in Florida soon...Operator FRED HOFFMAN retired on July 1. Fred, who is an avid fishing enthusiast, will now devote considerable time to his favorite hobby...Happy anniversaries are are extended to: Operator MORT LIBERT and his wife, LOIS, their 19th; Operator JOHN GUZALDO and his wife, ROSALIE, their 36th; Operator BILL SEIFERT and his wife, MIN, their 38th; Operator LUIS ENDARA and his wife, CARMEN, their 13th; Operator GEORGE VOIGHT and his wife, BEA, their 3rd; Operator GORDEN RICE and his wife, EDITH, their 27th; Operator HAROLD BASON and his wife, NORA, their 30th; Operator TEX ABERNATHY and his wife, SIGNE, their 30th; RON MACKERT and his wife, JOYCE, their 4th; ALLEN ABERNATHY Jr. and his wife, SHIRLEY, their 1st; Operator PETE MARCHISOTTO and his wife, FELICIA, their 34th; Operator CARL HANSON and his wife, SANDRA, their 15th; Operator McKINLEY DAVENPORT and his wife, MARY, their 14th; Operator HOMER CLEMMONS and his wife, OMIE, their 13th; Pensioner LEROY PEDERSEN and his wife, BERNICE, their 44th; Instructor MELVIN LINK and his wife, ELSIE, their 19th; Operator JOHN WILSON and his wife, REBECCA, their 10th, and Operator WILLIAM FRIEB and his wife, ADELAIDE, their 21st...Happy birthdays are extended to: Operators JOHN MARCINIAK, TEX ABERNATHY, LENARD BAEUCHLER, MORT LIBERT, and PETER DOLAN, BRIAN DOLAN, ANNA NEGELE, LOIS LIBERT, JUDY ELLEN LICHTER, PRINCESS DAVENPORT, WARREN SCHOLL, GINO PAOLI, Operator ROY RIPKE, and ELIZABETH and ISMENA RIPKE...Our sympathy and condolences to the family of Pensioner WILLIAM HEIBBUTH.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

Congratulations to all who were successful in becoming supervisors. J. ZEPP is working at Grand and State...The Student agents picnic was held on July 13 at Pottawattamie Park in St. Charles, Illinois, with approximately 45 attending. A number of articles were left behind and may be called for at DENNIS KANES, phone 386-4640. A softball, red swim trunks, and a white half-gallon pitcher were left in the park...Mr. ZUPKO is on a five-week vacation and plans to tour the West with his family...Recent pensioners are: DONALD KANGAS, GILBERT PANUCE, THEODORE KOTAS, and Conductor ELDER of Howard Street. Best wishes to all of them...M. HARRIS, the son of JACK HARRIS, was graduated from Roosevelt High school and plans to enter University of Illinois in the fall...It was quite a thrilling day when SOPHIA NEATNICA got her new blue Ford Galaxie, but it was a bigger thrill when she left for Europe on July 15...We have three new agents, L. JAMES, D. JONES, and G. LYLES. Welcome to CTA...Pensioner JIM SWEENEY stopped in at Howard Street to say hello to his many friends and looks very good...Who is that Swedish nightingale that MARTIN REYNOLDS likes so much?.. Those vacationing at this time are: MINNA KING in Norway, RICKY FOSTER in New York and Niagara Falls, FRANCÈS BINNIE is touring Canada, G. ARMONDA, and Linden Supervisor JOE KORAL...PAUL LANZ is still on the sick list. Hope you get well soon, Paul. HELENE HANSEN is back to work after spraining her ankle. Glad you're back, Helene...Your scribe, her husband, daughter, and granddaughter were on a two-week vacation. We went to St. Louis for the Mounts family reunion on July 29 and about 75 attended. We went to the Wisconsin Dells on July 3 for three days, then to Milwaukee where we took a boat across to Ludington where my sister met us. We spent four days relaxing at their summer home, went out on a pontoon boat, swimming, and did a little fishing. We spent the last three days with my sisters in Holland and South Haven, Michigan. I sure hated to come back to work after having all that fun...BRIDGETT MULKERRIN left for Ireland where she plans to join MAUREEN DURKIN for a few days...MICHAEL and MAY CRONIN have a new grandson. May went to California to visit their new grandchild... Motorman STEVE GARBO's grandchild was injured in an accident. We are wishing for a speedy recovery...R. PRITT is vacationing in West Virginia. Hope all you vacationers have a wonderful time.

- Grace Mounts

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

The time of the year for vacations, relaxation, and traveling has arrived. BILL DOEDEN drove to Lake Ouachita, which is near Hot Springs, Arkansas. The temperature averaged 100 degrees every day, but he didn't mind the heat as long as he had something cold to quench his thirst. Bill also went to the Ozarks before returning home from a very relaxing vacation...ELSIE SMITH's daughter, MARGIE, came to Chicago for a visit. When it was time for her to return home to Montana, Elsie decided to go with her. For two weeks she enjoyed beautiful weather, did some sight-seeing, and had fun being with her grandchildren... Last year GEORGE A. RILEY and his wife, MADGE, went west on their vacation, so this year they thought they would see what the east was like. They went to Niagara Falls and to the New England states visiting many historical places. Sturbridge Village seemed to fascinate them the most. The east was very nice and interesting, but the beauty of the west has won them over...On June 8 JACQUES TCHELEBIAN and his wife, SIMONE, began their vacation. They drove to New Mexico and the Carlsbad Caverns which they said was a sight to behold. The landscape and dunes at the White Sands State Park was just that, all white, and looked like a fresh fallen snow (what a thought). Jacques had his troubles in Nogales when he ordered a bowl of chili and was given beef stew, but like he said, he was in no position to argue. It was on to Tucson and then to Phoenix, Arizona, and dinner with the JACOBYS, who send a big hello to all. The next stop was San Diego, for lots of sight-seeing, then up the coast to Capistrano and to Las Vegas for three days. Fifteen days and 5,200 miles later, they returned home from a wonderful trip...Europe was the choice of JULIE WILLEM for her vacation. She began her tours shortly after she and her friend, Mrs. SOLOMON, arrived in France. The Louvre Museum, Notre Dame, and Sainte Chapelle were among the many places visited. They spent a week in Paris where they shopped and enjoyed eating in

many different restaurants. It was then on to Lucerne, Switzerland, and a ride to the top of Mt. Pilatus by cable car for a breathtaking view. Rome was next with its ruins, cathedrals, and the Vatican, after which they continued on to Israel. At Tel Aviv their room overlooked the Mediterranean and a lovely view. The climax of the trip was going through Jerusalem. Gethsemane with the olive trees, memorials, and buildings, washing her feet in the river Jordan, bathing in the Dead Sea, and Judea with its deserts are some of the things Julie will always remember about this wonderful vacation...Operating Manager CHARLES E. KEISER and his wife, MYRA, just couldn't say no to spending another week at Great Slave Lake in the snowdrift northwest territories in Canada. They were lured there for a third time by the beautiful country and wonderful fishing. This year turned out to be the best yet as the fish they caught weighed an average of 8 to 15 pounds each. They reeled in more grayling, northern pike, and lake trout than ever before. At noon they pulled into shore and had some freshly caught fish for lunch. You can bet this beautiful 25

pound, 40 inch lake trout put up quite a fight, but you can see who won the battle. Mr. Keiser caught the trout on a green and white cohodevle while trolling on Stark Lake. I'm sure their guide, Red, was very proud of them and their catches—especially Mr. Keiser's real big lake trout. This was by far their most enjoyable fishing trip...We recently received a card from JOHN J. O'CONNOR, retired superintendent from 52nd Street Station, who is vacationing in Ireland and having a good time...The condolences of the Transportation Department are extended to JOHN R. KOLON whose father, CLYDE, passed away on June 29.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

On Friday, June 20, coffee and rolls were served to celebrate the two awards received from the Greater Chicago Safety Council...The month of June is the time for graduations. MARCIA, the daughter of C. GAGE, was graduated from Fenger High school and will attend Bradley university, and her sister, GAYLE, from Shoop Elementary school and will be a student at Fenger...MICHAEL, the son of JAMES ROCHE, recently was graduated from St. Patrick's High school, and his daughter, ANNE MARIE, from John Palmer Elementary school. Congratulations to all the graduates...A couple of new faces in the Utility Department are STANLEY S. MICHALEC who transferred from Archer Station and OSCAR JOHNSON who transferred from Beverly Station. Welcome, and good luck in your new jobs.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

Some new talents of GEORGE J. CLARK, chief equipment engineer, are being brought out into the light. He recently wrote an interesting article which appeared in the Power Parade magazine, volume 22, no. 2. Congratulations on a fine job.

- Colette Szczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Now that everyone has returned from their short stay on the moon, let's get going with some earthmen news. The "Planet" Stores has many new faces to welcome, such as KATHY TOMKO who recently launched a new typing career as a clerk-typist. Kathy is a graduate of St. Francis DeSales High school and worked in the Employment Department before coming over to our side. Next is JOHN GILL who is our rocketing new order clerk. John is quite familiar with CTA as he was a ticket agent, worked in Employe Relations, and also out South in the multilith section. John is the son of PATTY GILL, Building Department, West Shops...Blasting off as GEORGE LINDEN's replacement is KEVIN BARRETT. Kevin, Stores' new order clerk, is not new to CTA. He began his career in Revenue Accounting and then moved to Stores, South, where he was stationed until his recent promotion. Incidentally, Kevin worked with JOAN THOMAS out South. Joan recently returned to the Mart and is now typing for Kevin. And now we have the Stores Department-South Shops Dynamic Duo! What a team. Welcome all, and good luck in your new positions!.. As the saying goes, "When you win some, you lose some," and we've lost our KATHERINE (Kitty) DWYER. Kitty retired August 1 after 27 years of combined service with the old Rapid Transit and CTA. We're all going to miss you, Kitty, and wish you the best and longest retirement. Have a wonderful time on the trip you're planning to take to Canada...THERESA BARRY, Stores Department, had an enjoyable vacation as it was spent entertaining her niece and daughter who were visiting from Scotland...CAROL, a past employe of Stores, and JERRY O'BRIEN were recently blessed with a 9 pound 6 ounce baby boy. He arrived on July 31 and answers to the name of ALAN DAMIAN. That makes two boys for the O'Briens, who are planning the next Cub team. Congratulations, Carol and Jerry!..Southward bound were LYNN BELL and her husband, CHUCK, of the Electrical Department. Their first stop was New Orleans for a few days, then they moved onward to Memphis for the remainder of their vacation. While they were there they visited Elvis Presley's estate. Lynn said they spent most of their time swimming and lounging in the sun. Sounds like a good time to me...Many congratulations go to LEE DeSUTTER and her hubby, FRANK, who recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Their daughter, DEANNE, and son, TOM, surprised them with a party which was attended by many CTA friends...Congratulations also go to MARGARET KELLS, Purchasing Department, who replaced ANNE GUSICH as contract clerk. Anne has moved to the Treasury Department. Good luck to both in your new positions.. ANNE JOBARIS, Purchasing Department, has recently been honored with an invitation from her cousin to attend the services where she will receive her first profession as a Felician sister. This is a very special day for Sister CHRISTINE MARIE, and Anne is quite honored to be able to share it with her...BOB McCARTHY, our buyer of odds and ends, has a celebrity in his family. His 11 year old daughter, THERESE, won the local Jaycees Baseball

Toss. From there, she went on to win again in the regional meet with a throw of 169.4 feet. She will now represent the city of Elmhurst in the State meet to be held in Granite City, Illinois, on August 7-9. These meets, called track and field events, are sponsored by the Illinois Youth Commission with the cooperation of all the local Jaycees. Bob's daughter will be the only winner representing the city of Elmhurst. Come on, Therese, we're all rooting for you.

- Jane Urso & Rod Rusakiewicz

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

JAY KELLY retired on July 1. Coffee and rolls were served on June 27...MARY COLETTE MAREK, the daughter of K. MAREK, was married to JOSEPH PINNELLO on June 28 at 11:30 mass at St. Hillary church. They will spend their honeymoon at Acapulco, Mexico. Also, congratulations to K. Marek upon his promotion to schedule clerk... Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE HANUS celebrated 35 years of wedded bliss on June 23. We wish you many more happy years together...E. WROBEL did some fishing in Ontario, Canada, while on vacation...PAT LENIHAN and his wife are touring Niagara Falls and Canada with his sister-in-law who is visiting here from Ireland...RUTH HAVLIK, her mother, and sister drove to Washington, D.C., to visit a sister and also took the barge trip...A few others who enjoyed summer vacations include PHILIP LEAHY, who drove to Michigan and had his nieces out in the motor boat. ED REILLY, who spent his vacation by catching up with some house work. GEORGE JOHANNES and his wife, drove to Minnesota to do some fishing. JOHN URBAN and his wife, who are flying to Texas where he will meet his daughter and grandchildren and then drive to Mexico to visit with them. A. KREUTZER and FRANK CORBETT, who spent their vacation by doing some chores around the house. And then there was JAKE SUMNER, who spent his vacation smashing his finger with the garage door. He required emergency treatment at the hospital...We welcome R. CARTER to the department as an outside checker...The sympathy of the department is extended to Superintendent L. C. DUTTON and K. MAREK upon the death of their mothers. Our PETE DONAHUE attended a family reunion honoring his father, JOHN, age 93, and mother, ANNA, age 89, over the Independence day weekend. Over 180 descendents of John and Anna--children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren with their wives or husbands--assembled at Hammonds Mill on the Norfolk river near West Plains in the Ozarks region of South Central Missouri for the first family reunion in over 40 years. According to Pete the relatives came from practically every state in the United States to become reacquainted and honor his parents.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

HARRIETTE HERMAN, clerk typist, was welcomed at Skokie Shops for the summer months...Skokie Shops welcomes the following: Electrical Apprentices CLEOPHUS DONALDSON, DONNIE COOTS, and JOHN THOMPSON, Machinist Apprentice LEON WOLFE, and Laborers ROGER KNAUTZ, MICHAEL McNERNEY, PETER BARKER, and JOHN BELLINGHAM...Electrical Worker EDMOND DELANEY and his wife, CAROLLE, are the proud parents of a daughter, ANGELA, born on July 6 at Illinois Research hospital weighing 5 pounds 7 ounces. Congratulations... ROBERT BINNIE, electrical worker, and his wife, CAROL, motored to Sullivan, Illinois, to visit Bob's mother...JOHN ZDUNEK, upholsterer, and his daughter, THERESA, motored to Mountain Home, Arkansas, and was very happy to spend some time with EDWARD WYNN, retired carpenter from Skokie Shops...THOMAS HOEY, electrical worker, and his wife, ANN, did it again. They took a nice trip through the western states and came home with a new Buick Wildcat. Good luck, Tom and Ann...GEORGE KIMMSKE, carpenter, and his wife, FRAN, were very fortunate to accompany the boys from the Veterans hospital on the 25th anniversary of Kups Purple Heart cruise. What a beautiful trip they had. The lake was as smooth as glass, and as they left the dock, there were fire boats on both sides of them spewing streams of different colored water. They were escorted by the Coast Guard throughout the trip. Fran and George were introduced to Sun Times columnist Irv Kupcinet, sponsor of the cruise, and then the show began. There was the Ginny Tiu trio, Forrest Tucker, Betty Garret, Pat Paulsen, Wayne Cochran and his group, Hypnotist John Knapp, and three other acts. By the time the show ended, the ship had docked and the veterans received many gifts. That evening, Fran and George were guests at the In the Round Playhouse where they had dinner and saw the stage show Funny Girl. They had a very long day but an enjoyable one. Keep up the good work, Fran and George.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

Hope everyone is having fun and enjoying the summer. The 61st Street Coffee Club had a get-together for Towerman JAMES HARVEY who went on pension July 1. Jim, who had 44 years of service, was the a.m. towerman at 61st Street Tower for years. Cake and coffee were served and a token of remembrance was presented to Jim from the men at 61st Street. Several of our pensioners came out to give Jim a good send-off. Retired Motormen HARRY BARTON and EDWARD HENNESSY, Retired Towerman PAT HICKEY, Retired Shopman PAT McEVOY, Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS, and Retired International Vice President PATRICK GANLEY. Best wishes to Jim, from everyone, for a wonderful retirement life...The Ashland Avenue Coffee Club also had a get-together for Conductor ROY BOETTCHER who decided to take life easy and took an early retirement. A token of remembrance was presented to Roy from his fellow workers. A happy retirement life is wished to Mr. Boettcher...Congratulations to Switchman THURMAN JACKSON who was appointed yard foreman on July 13...WILLIAM SPARKS, 61st Street Shopman was grinning from ear to ear when he told us about the birth of a little baby girl named CINDY DIANE, born July 16. The happy Sparks family have four children, now... Retired Conductor HARRY ANTONION stopped in to see everyone at 61st Street recently and he looked in "fine fettle." Received a card just the other day that he is visiting his daughter and her family in Spooner, Wisconsin, and was doing a lot of fishing. Also, he went to a rodeo and met "Festus", from the Gunsmoke television show, and had his picture taken with him. From there he was going to visit the Hayward, Wisconsin, Indian reservation. . .We were deeply shocked and saddened to hear that Switchman LYMAN VEITKUS passed away suddenly on July 10. Lyman was a fine man and a good employe. All his co-workers will miss him. Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Veitkus and the children...Janitor ED FREEMAN is having a good time

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

ROMAN A. BIALECK, 56, Limits,
Emp. 11-28-42, Died 6-20-69
JOHN P. BRIESCH, 78, Devon,
Emp. 7-28-21, Died 6-29-69
RAFFAELE BRUNO, 72, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 10-17-30, Died 6-21-69
CARL W. BUEHRING, 65, Lawndale,
Emp. 4-30-24, Died 6-14-69
JOHN BULETIN, 77, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 8-23-29, Died 6-11-69
JOSEPH BURKE, 64, 77th Street,
Emp. 12-1-28, Died 6-14-69
JAMES W. BURNS, 82, South Section,
Emp. 9-22-37, Died 6-12-69
ELMER C. CARLSON, 74, 77th Street,
Emp. 2-10-25, Died 6-15-69
CHARLES W. DEUTINGER, 77, Devon,
Emp. 5-10-13, Died 6-10-69
WILLIAM J. DILLON, 67, DesPlaines,
Emp. 9-19-26, Died 6-28-69
JOHN DOMANOVICH, 79, South Shops,
Emp. 9-11-22, Died 6-20-69
HAROLD DUERR, 58, Keeler,
Emp. 2-9-46, Died 6-18-69
LAWRENCE E. FRICOT, 61, West Section,
Emp. 1-10-45, Died 6-30-69
SHIRLEY M. GUERTIN, 39, Executive,
Emp. 6-3-47, Died 7-7-69
OSCAR GUSTAFSON, 89, 69th Street,
Emp. 8-21-17, Died 6-30-69
MAE A. HAJEE, 93, Accounting,
Emp. 5-22-99, Died 5-21-69
JOHN HARROLD, 87, Kedzie,
Emp. 5-14-18, Died 6-30-69
HENRY T. HERRICK, 60, West Section,
Emp. 1-13-43, Died 6-21-69
BURLEY JIMSON, 70, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 8-6-42, Died 6-9-69
EDWIN C. JOHNSEN, 88, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 7-3-17, Died 6-23-69
EDWARD W. JOHNSTON, 83, West Shops,
Emp. 12-21-22, Died 6-14-69
DANIEL J. KELLY, 74, Electrical,
Emp. 7-6-11, Died 6-18-69
MARY E. KELLY, 79, South Section,
Emp. 1-16-37, Died 6-13-69
LEON KURAS, 58, South Section,
Emp. 10-9-45, Died 7-2-69
CLARENCE H. KURTH, 62, North Park,
Emp. 12-10-28, Died 6-7-69
JOSEPH LOWINSKI, 89, Noble,
Emp. 5-23-08, Died 7-6-69
DENIS MANGAN, 77, 77th Street,
Emp. 2-8-23, Died 7-4-69
THOMAS F. MORRISSEY, 80, 77th Street,
Emp. 5-28-18, Died 6-23-69
WILLIAM MURPHY, 58, Archer,
Emp. 12-7-36, Died 5-26-69
ROY E. OLSON, 60, 69th Street,
Emp. 8-13-36, Died 7-10-69
CURTIS ROSBY, 46, West Section,
Emp. 3-31-50, Died 6-2-69
JOHN C. ROSEAN, 74, Beverly,
Emp. 8-31-20, Died 6-2-69
EUGENE SCHAEFFER, 61, West Section,
Emp. 10-12-36, Died 6-16-69
HENRY SCHOFFEN, 50, Forest Glen,
Emp. 8-14-41, Died 5-28-69
LOUIS STATHOPOULOS, 86, Blue Island,
Emp. 3-22-23, Died 6-24-69
WALTER SZCZEPANIK, 55, Lawndale,
Emp. 2-3-43, Died 5-28-69
BEN TARGOSZ, 74, West Section,
Emp. 9-28-39, Died 6-24-69
THEODORE THOMPSON, 52, Forest Glen,
Emp. 3-4-46, Died 7-18-69
DUKA VASILEVICH, 81, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 3-25-30, Died 6-30-69
LYMAN E. VEITKUS, 48, South Section,
Emp. 1-3-46, Died 7-10-69
ANTON WARNECK, 83, North Section,
Emp. 9-24-18, Died 6-14-69
WILLIAM J. WERNER, 73, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 11-13-18, Died 4-26-69
CLIFFORD WHITE, 41, Internal Auditing,
Emp. 3-25-47, Died 5-27-69
JOHN A. WITEK, 60, Limits,
Emp. 8-27-42, Died 7-17-69
CHARLES E. WRIGHT, 69, Track,
Emp. 9-11-30, Died 6-20-69
EDWIN ZELENY, 87, Electrical,
Emp. 10-9-13, Died 5-19-69

vacationing in Orlando, Florida, seeing all the sights... Some more returnees for the summer: Part-time Conductors LEE TOWNES and JAMES THOMAS, and Part-time Agents HENRY WEST, CYNTHIA TUKES, and HELEN GALLAGHER. Also welcome to newly hired Agent EDITH JOHNSON and newly hired Janitor LULLING WILLIAMS... Heard that Retired Agent EDNA HEYNE was up in Chicago from her home in Florida for a few days and then was going to spend the summer in Indiana. She says hello to all her old friends...Also deciding to take an early retirement on July 1 was Agent JOHN DUNDON. A healthy and enjoyable retirement life is wished to John...Conductor ROBERT MORTON completed his training and qualified as transportation clerk recently...Good news--Janitor JOHN CURTIS, who is on the sick list, is out of the hospital after some months and is improving. Conductor MOSES GILES, also on the sick list, is home from the hospital and is starting to feel better...Retired Conductor JOSEPH SCHUMACHER and his wife were in Chicago from their home in Long Beach, California, to attend a wedding, and Joe came up to 61st Street to visit us. He still is a White Sox fan. He and his wife will be married 49 years in September. On their way back home they are stopping off at Phoenix, Arizona, for a few days. Joe looks the same as the day he retired. He says hello to everyone...Congratulations and best wishes to Agent JANIS (LOVE) WHEELER who was married recently...Instructor FRENCHIE ELLIS is sure proud of his son, MICHAEL, who made the all-star team in the little league. He is a catcher and this is his first year playing ball...Retired Agent BETTY BUCKLEY, who lives in Hawaii, is here in Chicago for a few weeks to attend a couple of weddings and to get together with some of her old

friends...Agent JOHNIE McDONALD wishes to express her deep gratitude for the many cards, calls, and expressions of sympathy upon the loss of her beloved mother...Agent LEON KURAS, who was on the sick list for a few months, passed away recently. Our sincere condolences to his family...Received a card from Retired Conductor EDWARD HOPKINS from "jolly old England." He is taking in all the sights and just loves it there. Then he was going to Ireland for a few days. Gee, our pensioners sure do get around. Isn't that wonderful...Janitor CLARENCE THOMAS and Trackman CALVIN THOMAS wish to thank everyone for their kindnesses and expressions of sympathy on the loss of their father...Received a note from Retired Towerman LEONARD DeGROOT telling us that his father passed away recently in Peru, Illinois. Our sincere condolences to Leonard. He also said he received two trophies, one for 1st place, bowling with the Beach Builders & Supply company, and one trophy for high series of 650.

- Verna Hartney

SOUTH SHOPS -

HOWARD WARD just returned from out West where he had a most enjoyable time. He stopped at the Grand Canyon, Yosemite Park, and traveled along the Navajo Trail. Also returning from vacation was JOHN KURGAN, Upholstery Shop. He spent a pleasant two weeks in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and on his return trip he bought his wife a new Mercury. Howard and John have promised to show us some of the exciting pictures that they took...As of this writing, AL WENDT is home recuperating after his recent heart attack. Al wishes to thank all his fellow workers for their calls and cards...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. GLEN THOMPSON who are the proud parents of a baby girl...Congratulations to SYLVESTER (Big Mike) CICIURA, and his wife, GEN, on the birth of a son, JOHN, weighing 7 pounds 2 ounces on May 26...TONY SCIONNA became a great-grandfather at the age of 59 when STEVEN THOMAS PHELPS was born. He is the son of SHARON PHELPS, the granddaughter of Tony. Steven's father is now serving in Viet Nam...SHARON SIWEK, the granddaugbter of J. SIWEK, bay 6, was crowned "Miss Peanut of 1969" by the Garfield Ridge Kiwanis club in ceremonies held at Sharko's West restaurant recently. Congratulations!

- Frank Sprovieri

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Congratulations to SAM and BETTY GARITI, Wilson, on the birth of their son. The future All-American, better known as JAMES SALVATORE, was born on July 7 and weighed in at 7 pounds 5 ounces...SHELDON and LENA RITA, Congress, were the guests of honor at a party given by ANGELO and EMILY COSENTINO to celebrate the Rita's 25th wedding anniversary. Eighty friends and relatives attended the affair and a good time was had by all. Best wishes to Sheldon and Lena for another 25 years of bliss... Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. NELLO PARRILLO, Congress, on the celebration of their 21st wedding anniversary. Wishes for continued years of happiness are sent their way...Our condolences to the family of L. RICCIARDI, Congress, whose sister passed away...D. ARTIS, Congress, now being called "Mr. Speedy", qualified for the Junior National Track and Field meet by running two miles in 10 minutes and 22 seconds. The track and field meet will be held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in August. Come on, David, we're all cheering for you...Congratulations to L. FIELDS and R. SMITH who were promoted to repairmen at Congress, and also to D. NICOSIA, L. DAVENPORT, L. MONAGHAN, and J. LaBELLARTE, Congress, who graduated to instructors...Best wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to the wife of L. RICHARD, Congress, who is at home recuperating after undergoing surgery...Glad to see SAM SELVAGGIO, Congress, back at work after being off on the sick list...Welcome back to our college summer help: D. GIFFORT who is starting on his 4th year; J. ROCHE Jr., who is on his 2nd year, and to the new men, B. COYLE and T. CIEZADLO...A hearty welcome to G. GRILLAERT, Congress, who is back at work after being off for a long illness...D. NICOSIA transferred from 61st Street to Congress as a repairman...R. SCHEIBE, Congress, and his family spent their vacation at Shady Shores, Michigan, and enjoyed fishing, water skiing, and beautiful weather...F. BENANTI Jr., Congress, and his family spent a two-week vacation touring and seeing the sights of Kamiah, Idaho...Greetings to M. WARD, F. WILBORN, W. CARPENTER, A. FERNANDEZ, and C. MILLER Jr., car servicemen, and I. PATTERSON, A. WHITE, and H. TURNER, new repairmen at Wilson...Enjoying the summer sights of Chicago were: L. ZIELINSKI, M. DUKE, J. MASIARZ, R. JANICKI, C. DANSBY, J. LOCKE, R. ROBINSON, F. RAKSTIS, M. GALLAGHER, M. O'MALLEY, J. BUTZEN, P. CZAJA, J. RAND, F. VELINSKE, and A. DIGIANFILIPPO...Congress Street held their annual all-star game between the "Old-Timers" and the "Youngsters." Proving they are not as old as they seem, the "Old-Timers" with every bit of help they could muster up defeated the "Youngsters" by a score of 27-18.

- Ray Brzeczek

THIS YOUNG lady is DARLENE FEDEROWICZ, the beautiful daughter of Janitor EDWARD FEDEROWICZ of Limits Station. Having taken vocal lessons for ten years, Darlene has embarked upon a singing career in the entertainment field and will use the stage name of BETH HARRIS.

WEST SECTION -

All we can say is that we apologize and hope you will understand that we were on vacation and couldn't make the last edition. But now we are back and here are some of our latest facts...First, a belated congratulations to Clerk J. MIDDLETON and his wife, BARBARA, on the arrival of a new baby boy. They now have a basketball team...Conductor M. O'BRIEN left the company to join his brother in the air-conditioning business. I bet they thought business would be bad for it seemed as if summer was never coming. Good luck, Marty...Yard Foremen A. ANDREW and K. HAWLEY left public transportation for material transportation. They will become truck drivers. A safe journey,

always, fellows...Motorman I. BETTS left us recently to become one of Chicago's finest. He will graduate soon and be out there enforcing the laws, so be on your toes--tickets must be issued. Best of luck, Irv...Former Supervisor L. PARRISH will become an accountant, and with his size and weight, who will say he made a miscalculation in his figures. Good luck, Larry, in your new endeavors...On our sick list at this time are: Switchman A. SCHARF, Motormen A. WOOD and J. WINIECKI, and Conductors R. SCOTT and C. SPRAGGINS. We wish these men a speedy recovery and hope they will return to work soon...We lost a fine man and a good clerk when E. SCHAEFFER was drowned while on vacation. Our deepest sympathy to this family. Our sincerest sympathy to Clerk J. CAROLAN who lost his son, and to Motorman J. WILLIAMS on the passing of his mother...On leave recently and paying us a visit was B. RADCLIFF. He just completed his basic training and is now headed for Viet Nam. Our prayers go with him and to all the guys over there to return home safely and soon...Motorman B. MORRIS spent the first part of his vacation in Minneapolis with his brother, ERNEST, who received his masters degree and plans to teach school soon. Ernest formerly worked for the company during the summer months...P. HUGGINS and V. MORRIS headed for New York on their vacation. I was to go along but the tailor didn't finish my suits in time for the departure. Phil had an accident while there, when his car collided with his uncle's. Glad to report that no one was injured. Vernon, whose mother is visiting him from Panama, will try and get her an extension to stay longer. She is really enjoying her visit here...P. NAUGHTON had a ball in Miami, Florida, with three gorgeous babys--his daughters. Pete had to be both mother and father as his wife didn't make the trip...Conductor L. (Flash) GORDON and his wife took in parts of Palm Springs and San Francisco, California. They had to cut their vacation short as his wife became ill and they had to return home. A speedy recovery to you, Mrs. Gordon... Proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. R. CRAWFORD. They were elated when their son was graduated from Tilden High school and awarded a scholarship to the college of his choice...Switchman A. BRAGGS was a proud father when his son, ARCHIE Jr., attended the Boy Scouts Jamboree in Idaho. He was happier, still, when his son, GEORGE, said, "I do" on July 26 to a very lovely young lady...Switchman R. CANO spent his vacation in Canada, but the fish weren't biting. Better luck next time...Switchman R. NEIGHBORS and his wife returned to her native homeland, Germany, where they first met...Hey, gang, here's an EXTRA! Motorman A. CLARK, the last of the confirmed bachelors, will have to get permission to play golf like all the rest of you from his lovely wife. See what you have been missing all these years, Al? Best of luck to both of you...Your Co-reporter SANTO SICILIANO is on vacation at this time. He will put on some Coppertone to match my brown skin. I had to use some Sungard so that he could catch up. Black is beautiful, but we couldn't make it as the Gold Dust Twins... To our readers, when we come around looking for news items, please don't hesitate to contribute your past and present events for this is your column. So long for now and have a pleasant vacation with your family and friends. See you next month.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

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69TH STREET -

Mrs. YOUNG, I have been so preoccupied with my impending operation that I haven't really had time to check on MICKEY. By the time this is in print and mailed, God willing, I hope to be back at work. An idea came to me while I was out of contact with the men, and it was that if you wives would send me news about your vacations, birthdays, anniversaries, or any special event, I would certainly put it in this column. Pictures, in black and white, would be a great help, too. Send the news or photos to: TRANSIT NEWS, 69th Street Station, c/o A. BUESING, 1601 W. 69th St., Chicago, Ill. 60636...My daughter, SANDRA, told me that she had the pleasure of riding on what she called the "CTA Happy Bus." I believe that Operator CLEVEN WARDLOW of Limits Station was the driver. She said he is well known in the Loop area and that it is a pleasure and very relaxing to ride with him. She enjoyed it very much and wished that all the drivers, including me, were that well mannered and patient...B. PULICK worked his day off and just can't understand why he only got straight time...HORNING says that following J. G. KELLY down Western avenue is like looking at a Playboy calendar. Every page, like every day, was a sight to behold...RAY ORACKI's son is now serving in Viet Nam. Ray is on disability and we wish him well. His big brother asked me the other day if I had ever given another driver the OK sign and then wanted to erase it?.. The CTA group, 150 men strong, went to the 52nd annual Notre Dame retreat, August 15-18...JOHN BISCHAK, the father of A. BISCHAK, passed away and we wish to extend our deepest sympathy to A. J. and his family. Our sincere condolences to the family of L. BURK who passed away. Most of his friends from the Grove didn't know of his passing as there wasn't a death notice posted...PETE SPOO is up and at it again after a long tough illness. You're quite a boy, Pete, and keep up the good health...Do you fellows know that we have a retired navy man driving a bus? M. R. GULLY is his name. He joined the navy in 1942 and took his boot training at Great Lakes. He has visited every continent and all 50 states, of which he likes Alaska the best. He missed going to Switzerland, but liked Israel for the most money, Egypt for beautiful women, India for hard working people, China for honest people, England for friendly people, Ethiopia for the most forward, and Persia for its jewels and religions. He has always wanted to be a bus driver, but was considered too old. He was accepted for our security force and then applied for a bus driver opening. He says he loves people and this makes it a happy day for him no matter how hard he works. To you, sir, we say welcome and many happy days...JIMMY AHERN offers his congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. SAM WASHINGTON on the birth of a baby boy named EARL...We offer our sincere sympathy to the family of AL DALY who recently passed away. Al worked with us a good many years before retiring six years ago...CHARLIE WILLIAMS went up to Minnesota to do some fishing. Hope you get some big ones, Charlie... EDDIE PRUEMER and RALPH GRAGIDO go to Maple Lake to do their fishing. They yak-yak so much the fish probably hear them and swim away...I hope everyone had a nice vacation and enjoyed themselves. Send me some news please.

- Arthur P. Buesing

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Dan Ryan Trains Travel the Median

OPERATIONS BEGAN on Sunday, September 28, on the new 11-mile Dan Ryan rapid transit line extending south from the Loop to 95th street. Built by the City of Chicago, the $51,700,000 cost of the project was met by Federal grants from the Department of Transportation and City of Chicago general obligation bonds.

Facilities were dedicated and officially released to CTA during ceremonies held at 95th street station on Friday, September 26, with Mayor Richard J. Daley officiating. Also participating in the ceremonies were Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent, Transportation Secretary John A. Volpe, Governor Richard B. Ogilvie, Senators Charles Percy and Ralph Smith, and City Public Works Commissioner Milton Pikarsky.

CITING CHICAGO for its pioneering of the combined transportation corridor with rail rapid transit facilities in an automobile expressway, is Secretary John A. Volpe of the United States department of transportation. Beside Mr. Volpe on the speakers' stand are (from left) Governor Richard B. Ogilvie, Mayor Richard J. Daley, and City Public Works Commissioner Milton Pikarsky.

Dedicate New Dan Ryan Line

Following the dedication, trains began operating between the 95th and Sox-35th stations providing free rides. During a four-hour period about 15,000 persons test-rode the new route.

More than 25,000 persons turned out on Sunday to become first-day riders and crowds reached such a peak in late afternoon that four-car trains operated for several hours over the length of the new Lake-Dan Ryan through route.

Riding on the first weekday of service far exceeded expectations also, with an estimated 70,000 persons using Dan Ryan stations during the 24-hour day on Monday, September 29. This compares with the 95,000 that was anticipated after one year of service.

Pictures on our cover and pages 2-3 are a visual record of highlights of the events during and following the dedication.

OTHER SPEAKERS at the dedication include Senators Charles Percy (above, left) and Ralph Smith (center), and Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent. The first train (left), carrying dignitaries and invited guests, left the 95th street station when the sign-curtain was drawn by the speakers.

PRINTED MATTER and souvenir buttons were presented to those attending the ceremony and taking free rides. Representing CTA at the 95th street station are (far left) Lester Smith, Insurance, and Patricia Legenza, Accounting; (top, left) Diana Wood, Public Information, and (left) Mary Boski, Research and Planning.

ACCEPTING CTA'S invitation to take a free ride and inspect the new line were about 15,000 persons, including many elementary and high school students from nearby schools on the South Side.

ACID TEST for the new line was the first weekday of service, Monday, September 29, when more than 72,000 persons rode Dan Ryan trains.

Transit News

CTA MANAGEMENT and the Transit News staff were host to a group of more than 50 CTAers at the annual Transit News dinner in the M&M Club on September 12. The group consisted entirely of scribes from system-wide locations and office personnel who assist in the production of the monthly employes' magazine.

Congratulating the group on their team effort, Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent especially singled out the two Inside News reporters who contributed the most copy since January, 1969, Verna Hartney, South Section, and Mel Horning, North Park.

Shown here, from left to right in the numbered pictures, are CTAers who gathered for the dinner:

(1) Reporter Ray Graham, Kedzie Station; Photographer Burt Cadney; Reporter Amos Foster, 77th Street Station, and Reporter Bill Miedema, North Avenue Station. (2) Retired Reporter Helen Pallister, Logan, Lake & Douglas; Reporter Mildred Doyle, Loop Agents; Reporter Bill Rehder, Electrical; Reporter Verna Hartney, South Section, and Reporter Everett England, Skokie Shops. (3) Photographer Gar Francis; Stenographer Diana Wood, Transit News staff; Supervising Reproduction Technician John Gritis, and Clerk Tim Navin, Public Information. (4) Superintendent of Public and Employe Relations F. C. Knautz, Supervisor of Stenographic Services Joan Fitzgerald; Forms Designer and Varitypist Adele Monson, and Clerk Ralph Regnier, Executive. (5) Retired Reporter Gil Andrews, Electrical; Reporter Grace Mounts, North Section; Reporter Frank Sprovieri, South Shops; Reporter Verna Hartney, South Section, and Reporter Ernest Carter, Keeler Station.

Scribes Honored at Annual Dinner

(1) Assistant Director of Public Information C. W. Baxa; Reporter Regina Daren, General Office; Reporter Jeanne Fitzgerald, General Accounting, and Editorial Assistant Mel Alexander, Transit News staff. (2) Reporter Amos Foster, 77th Street Station; Reporter Ray Brzeczek, Rapid Transit Terminal Inspection Shops, and Reporter Elcosie Gresham, 77th Street Station. (3) Supervisor of Photographic Section Art Tonner; Reporter Colette Szczepanek, Operations; Reporter Clotilde Mrzena, Revenue Accounting, and Multilith Operator John Pavoni. (4) Reporter Lou Payne, West Section; Stenographer Arlene Zittman, Public and Employe Relations, and Reporter Santo Siciliano, West Section. (5) Reporter R. S. Benson, Limits Station, and Reporter Mel Horning, North Park Station. (6) Reporter Kay McAlister, Electrical Department; Stenographer Mary Stomner, Public Information; Retired Reporter Mable Potthast, General Accounting, and Reporter Clara Lawrence, Payroll Accounting. (7) Transit News Editor R. D. Heinlein and Transit Board Chairman G. L. DeMent. (8) Reporter Larry Keating, Lawndale Station; Reporter Mary Gallon, Engineering-West Shops, and Reporter Bill Miedema, North Avenue Station. (9) Mrs. George Clark; Retired Reporter George Clark, Limits Station; Coordinator of Reproduction Services T. C. Haaning, and Reporter Ray Brzeczek, Rapid Transit Terminal Inspection Shops.

51-Year Employe, J. H. Allen, Retires September 1

WITH MORE than 51 years of service in the transit industry, John H. Allen retired September 1 as the No. 1 man on the General Office seniority list.

Mr. Allen started with the former Chicago Surface Lines as assistant timekeeper on June 17, 1918. Two years later, at the age of 16, he was appointed timekeeper. He subsequently became audit clerk in the Auditing Department, and auditor in the Claim Department. In 1957, Mr. Allen transferred to the Treasury Department as a cashier, where he became a bank ledger clerk and in 1964 a bank ledger bookkeeper, the position held until his retirement.

On August 28, Mr. Allen was honored at a retirement dinner held at the M&M Club in the Merchandise Mart. Many friends and co-workers were there to extend wishes for a long and enjoyable retirement. In the picture at the right, Mr. Allen is being presented a retirement gift by P. J. Meinardi, manager of finance, as C. H. Grube, treasurer, looks on.

Along with his wife, Helen, Mr. Allen is planning to spend a few weeks at the Lake of the Ozarks for some rest and relaxation. After that, he plans to spend a lot of time improving his golf game, at least when he and Mrs. Allen aren't visiting their three children and six grandchildren.

Twenty Named in New Supervisory Appointments

THE APPOINTMENT of supervisory personnel in several CTA departments was announced in bulletins issued recently.

In bulletins signed by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser and approved by General Manager T. B. O'Connor, the following appointments were made: effective August 10, G. J. Clark was named acting superintendent of Shops & Equipment and C. W. Ricker Jr. was named acting chief equipment engineer. Effective August 31, P. J. Kenny was named safety and methods coordinator.

In appointments which became effective October 1, B. P. Dinter was named property accountant and P. J. Clifford was named assistant property accountant. The appointments were made by Manager of Finance P. J. Meinardi.

Effective August 31, changes in the Shops & Equipment Department foreman assignments were made with the promotion of J. Joyce as day foreman at Archer tire center, J. Hennelly as night foreman at North Park, J. Byrne as p.m. foreman at Forest Glen, H. Johnson as day assistant foreman at 77th Street, and J. Guinee as p.m. foreman at Beverly. The appointments were made by J. W. Dain, superintendent of garages, and approved by J. J. Repplinger, superintendent of surface shops & garages, and L. G. Anderson, superintendent of Shops & Equipment.

Transportation Department personnel named to new posts at surface system stations effective September 1 include the appointment of R. W. Christian as Keeler Station superintendent, J. B. Morris as North Park Station assistant superintendent, L. Mueller as Limits and Keeler Stations relief superintendent, and H. Hoeppner as North Avenue Station senior instructor.

With the division of the rapid transit district into two districts effective September 28, T. J. McGovern was named district superintendent-North District and became responsible for operations north of Madison street and E. W. Larson was named district superintendent-South District and became responsible for operations at and south of Madison street. Other appointments affecting North-South Districts include the assignment of H. Lowenstein as district superintendent, A. E. Johnson as relief district superintendent, and E. G. Strey and W. E. Nash as district supervisors. The appointments were made by Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn and approved by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.

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MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin,

CTA Medical Consultant

SLEEPLESSNESS

SLEEP IS a normal daily or nightly occurrence from the first to the last day of life. Naturally, it is assumed as essential to good health and well being.

An article on "Sleep Cheats" recently appeared in an American Medical Association news release. It emphasized the fact that people who deprive or cheat themselves of proper sleep are more susceptible to accidents and illness. I think the statement is a very true one. We all know what can happen to a person who falls asleep when driving a car. An employe can also cut his hand or break a leg if his coordination is affected by lack of sleep. It is presumed that a "sleep cheat" can get the normal amount of sleep if he goes to bed early enough. Their problem is too many late TV programs, too many parties, or working too many jobs.

There is another class of sleeplessness. The individual goes to bed early enough but is unable to sleep well because of various factors such as nervousness, worry, too much liquor, certain drugs, etc.

Lack of sleep is a symptom indicating that something is wrong. It ranks with headaches and constipation as a frequent complaint.

According to statistics, Americans, generally speaking, are the poorest sleepers in the world. In a recent study it was revealed that they cannot relax long enough to sleep. Excessive drinking and smoking are certainly contributing factors.

Sleep disturbances in infancy and childhood are rather common. Faulty training, a shocking experience, fear, or some other emotional upset in early childhood may be the beginning of a poor sleep pattern which can continue throughout life.

There are, generally speaking, three main types of insomnia. In the first type the person has trouble falling asleep. However, once he gets asleep he has no more trouble. The second type involves the person whose sleep is frequently interrupted during the night. The third type includes the individual who falls asleep without trouble, but awakens earlier than usual and is unable to fall asleep again.

Several theories about sleep were discussed in the AMA release. One common theory is that sleep is produced by stimulation of the sleep centers. A more likely theory is based on the depression of a wakefulness center. This latter theory seems to be supported by the effect of stimulating drugs, coffee, liquor, nervous tension, and worry. In other words, the more stimulation there is on the wakefulness center, the more trouble one will have falling asleep. No one has completely solved the mystery of the complex process of sleep. Many investigators agree with Shakespeare that sleep is the basic nourishment demanded by both the body and the mind.

The treatment of sleeplessness depends on the age of the person, duration of the disorder, and the general physical and mental characteristic plus many extraneous factors.

First, the treatment should start with proper pediatric care including parental education. The earlier in life the causes are discovered and corrected, the better the results will be. Sometimes the treatment which helps one person will not help another person.

The following recommendations may be helpful:

Establish a bedtime routine and follow it regularly. Stop every thing that requires intense mental effort before retiring. Don't worry; shed your worries before you shed your clothes.

Try to have a fairly regular retirement hour. Keep bedroom temperature between 60 and 65 degrees. Have comfortable and loose fitting bed covers. A proper mattress, preferably on the firm side, is very important; humps or hollows tend to produce muscle irritation which prevent sleep.

Have the decorations of your bedroom in keeping with relaxation--avoid bright lights.

Encourage proper mental attitude toward sleep in any way you can. By this I mean if you find reading before retiring is helpful, then by all means read. Others find a little snack is conducive to sleep. Some say a brisk walk or a warm bath is helpful.

One of the best sleep producers I know is a good hard day's work free of strain and emotional stress followed by a clear conscience at bedtime.

Do not rely on sleeping pills unless prescribed by your doctor. Sleeping pills and highballs used together can especially make a dangerous situation.

If after following the above suggestions you still have trouble sleeping, then by all means see your family doctor without delay.

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (Payroll) -

Mr. and Mrs. STANLEY MAILUCK took an interesting motor trip this summer. They spent a few days in the Badlands, Black Hills, and Mt. Rushmore where they saw the famous landmark of the four presidents. The lighting ceremony was most impressive in the evening. They also attended the "Deadwood Days of '76", a combination festival-rodeo. They went to Mt. Rushmore Cave and then on to Boulder and Denver, Colorado, where the weather was so warm that they had to go up into the mountains to cool off. They also enjoyed the sights in beautiful Estes Park before returning home...ROSEMARY KENNY enjoyed a week relaxing and visiting with friends...YVONNE ZAJAC and her children, DEBBIE and MARK, took the scenic route to Minnesota along the western bank of the Mississippi river. They drove to Iron Mountain where they explored an iron mine, then on to Mackinac Island where a ride in one of the quaint carriages was a "must." They enjoyed all of the 1,700 miles they covered...JUDY MACZAK wrote that Cape Cod was lovely and the weather just perfect--no rain. ..One of our pensioners, ART JOHNSON, and his wife drove up from Florida to spend some time with their two daughters in Elmhurst, Illinois, and also attended the wedding of their granddaughter on September 6. The proud grandfather gave the bride away. While they were up north they took the opportunity to visit with friends in Wisconsin. They have sold their home in St. Petersburg and now live in the Hawaiian Village, 302 Polynesian drive, Bradenton, Florida 33505, where they will return in the end of September. Art says that he is "living the life of Reilly--eating, sleeping, and fishing." He would like to say hello to all of his friends he was unable to see when he visited the Mart... We are sure that ERNA KARGE is enjoying herself in Florida for we received a card from her with the message, "fun - fun - fun." Guess she divides her time between Oregon and Florida...We were very sorry to learn that NAOMI BOHLIN lost a grandson who was wounded in Viet Nam.

- Clara Lawrence

(Tabulating) -

PAT POLIC spent a delightful week fishing at Carlyle, Illinois. I'm afraid I'll have to say Pat came home "sans" fish...MARGE DORGAN spent part of her vacation at that beautiful resort, The Abbey, in Fontana, Wisconsin. Needless to say, it was most enjoyable.

- Evelyn Leu

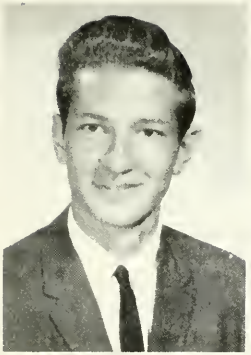
(Material & Supplies) -

Miss KATHERINE (Kitty) DWYER of the Stores Department retired on July 31 after 27 years of service. Kitty spent the greater portion of her working career in the Accounting Department. Several retired employes who formerly worked in the Material and Supplies Department attended the retirement party. They were ROY WILSON, HELEN FRAZEN, MAE KEARNS, ANN O'BRIEN, MARGARET TIMMONS, and IRENE WENKE...A very restful vacation with his family, boating and swimming at Lake Delavan, Wisconsin, was enjoyed by KEN McNEELEY. At this writing he is exploring Dorr County...ANTHONY SCARDINA spent a very nice vacation in Chicago. He visited relatives and friends and took a nephew sightseeing and to the museum...JOE LAZZARA enjoyed his vacation with his family around Chicago. He went golfing, visited Santa's Village, and had a good view when watching the parade for moon astronauts Armstrong, Aldrin, and Collins...After a courtship of six years, CHUCK DAVIS and his fiancee, NANCY MIKAITIS, a secretary at U.S. Steel, are to be united in holy wedlock in St. Cajetan church, 11207 S. Artesian, on September 6. We wish them good luck and a very happy marriage...MIKE VERDONCK and his wife had a wonderful two-week vacation in northern Minnesota near the North Dakota border. The weather was beautiful, although Mike said that they were about 80 miles away from an area having tornados. He caught a lot of fish...To Treasure Island, St. Petersburg, Florida, is where GEORGE TRIUNFOL and his wife traveled. The oceanside was delightful and he and his wife had a very restful vacation...On June 9, JAMES TOUHY was elected as the General Office Union Steward of Division 241, Amalgamated Transit Union. ..THOMAS McGRATH and his wife will be leaving for a vacation in Burlington, Wisconsin, where they will entertain their son, daughter-in-law, and grandchildren. Their son and his family live in Old Greenwich, Connecticut, where Tom and his wife sometimes go visiting...MARGARET WALKER enjoyed a week's vacation at Conference Point, Williams Bay...PAT LEGENZA spent a week's vacation in the Chicago area. She went to the beach and visited the Museum of Science and Industry...We all extend a get well wish and a speedy recovery to VIRGINIA HARRER...On July 26, JOHN GEARY welcomed his eighth grandchild, CHARLES MORRIS...A week at home and a week in Wisconsin is how ANN SLOAN enjoyed her vacation...RAY SCHRAMM is on vacation at this writing. His son, RAY Jr., is home from Germany...DENNIS McFADDEN's two weeks of active duty were spent with the Committee Group (BCT), 85th Division (TNG), at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri. During the two weeks at Ft. Leonard Wood, he taught classes to basic trainees in first aid and individual protective measures...Not too long ago, LYDIA HAEMKER traveled to the Golden Gate of the Mid-West in St. Louis, Missouri, where she had a very pleasant visit with her daughter...During a recent holiday, your reporter, JEANNE FITZGERALD, took a tour of the Rock Island Arsenal, the Amana Colonies, Herbert Hoover Library and Museum, and many other interesting places in Iowa. Sailing down the Mississippi River on the Tom Sawyer and going through the locks was very educational...On June 28, BARNEY KANE's daughter, MARY ELLEN, was married to ROBERT McELLIGOTT in St. Adrian church.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

CLAIM -

Welcome back to CHARLIE MARBLE and his wife, MARY, ticket agent, West Section. They spent two glorious weeks vacationing in Cleveland, Ohio, with their children capturing their trip in slides for posterity...On August 24, Mr. and Mrs. JAMES L. SHANAHAN, the parents of



SHOWN HERE is MICHAEL S. BOGIRA, the son of Repairman MICHAEL BOGIRA, 61st Street, who was graduated from St. Rita High school with honors. Michael was awarded the Chick Evans scholarship, sponsored by the Western Golf Association, and will attend Michigan State university in the fall. He also won the Illinois State scholarship which is renewable for four years.

MICHAEL SHANAHAN, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Downers Grove with a party given by their children. Congratulations!..A warm welcome to TERI KRAMER, SYLVIA COLEMAN, MARY O'REILLY, and HANK ZYCH, newcomers to the department...CHESTER URBAN, our man in Cape Kennedy, reported a successful launching of the Apollo 11 on July 16. RICHIE and BOBBIE, Chester's sons and promoters of the trip, will never forget seeing as they did, "History in the making."..Well, HARRY BONESS did it again. Grandchild number ten, MATTHEW DAVID SCHNUR, was born on July 17. That's what you get for feeding your kids a steady diet of carrots...Several weeks ago, MIKE McDERMOTT took a trip to Corpus Christi, Texas, where he visited his daughter-in-law and four grandchildren. Mike's son is a Major in the Army on his second tour of duty in Viet Nam. Mike is now planning a quiet week in Wisconsin with his wife. We won't tell anyone, Mike.

- Ruth Kaminski & Shari Pupa

ELECTRICAL (General Office) -

MARGE KINSEY spent a relaxing vacation in and around Chicago. She visited friends, dined out, and just enjoyed the golden days of summer...VIRGIL KRUSE and his family drove to Freedom, Wisconsin, to attend a reunion of his army buddies. They all had a wonderful time and his children had a ball...ADOLPH KUTZ took a trip downstate for a few days then hurried home to swing those old golf clubs for a while. He climaxed his vacation by attending a reunion of the 95th Infantry Division at the Sheraton-Chicago hotel for four days...TED SZEWC and his family are on their way out West and plan to take in the points of interest on their way.

- Kay McAlister

(Blue Island) -

Best wishes to ARVIN WILMONT who retired on September 1. Mr. Wilmont and his wife have moved to Daytona Beach, Florida. He said the "welcome mat" would always be out for any of his friends from CTA...Congratulations to W. TIMMERMAN and his wife, MARY ANN. They are the proud parents of PAULA ANN born on August 4...H. R. HEIDE and his family vacationed in the Ozarks and the Smoky Mountains. He suggested we have some Arkansas gas shipped into Chicago as it sells for only .19 9/10 per gallon...RICHARD DORGAN and his family have been sightseeing on the West Coast and trying their luck in Las vegas. A card he sent informed us he plans to bring home a mint, not the mint...HAROLD COYNE enjoyed a quiet vacation at home...DON GARDNER visited New York City, and JAMES BRANDON caught up with his history and some current events in the nation's capitol...Wishes for a speedy recovery and continued good health to R. PRIESBE, J. O'DONNELL, L. DONOFRIO, TOM MADIGAN, and ART McDERMOTT. . .Best wishes and happy birthday to these men who celebrated their day in August: W. BECKMAN, H. CORDT, E. FLAHERTY, C. DUGO, R. SIERS, A. GODBOLD, A. BOURNE, J. L. WILLIAMS, and T. WALKER...Summer is over and I'm sure many of you took interesting trips. We would like to hear from you. Without contributions this column is going to get shorter. Maybe we could use some of your vacation tips to help plan for next year.

- William Rehder

ENGINEERING -

Congratulations to SANDRA CLAUSEN who was transferred to the Electrical Department. Replacing Sandy is MARIE MALINOWSKI from the Law Department. We wish both girls the best of luck in their new positions...MARIO MUNOZ, design draftsman I, left the CTA on June 28 to work for the City. Good wishes and best of luck are extended to him...Looks like YOLENNE CLAUDE, clerk-typist, talked her husband into joining the Engineering Department. RENE CLAUDE joined our homestead as a trackman on July 10. Welcome, Rene, we wish you many happy years with us..."Hip hip hooray" for JIM JOEFFREY. Guess the past couple of months of toil and sweat while painting and remodeling paid off. Yep, Jim finally moved into his new home on August 9. He finished his house-vacating with a bang when he walked into the tree in his back yard. Thank goodness it only left a few skinners on his forehead. Maybe next time he won't take (just one more for the road). All kidding aside, we all want to wish the Joeffrey family much happiness in their home...July and August vacations were busy this year. GENE SULLIVAN, record supervisor and librarian, vacationed in Rome for three weeks. He and his family had a delightful time. So much so, that he almost stayed another week but he realized that all good things must come to an end. So until next time, he said "Ciao" to Rome and an American "hello" to Chi-town. Glad to see you back amongst your many roles of film, Gene...PHIL ADELIZZI, Real Estate rental agent, and his family spent 12 fabulous days traveling through Florida. First stop was Jacksonville, then on to St. Augustine, Daytona Beach, Cape Kennedy (where they saw Apollo 11 before it took off on its memorable journey), Vero Beach, Fort Lauderdale, and last of all Miami Beach. Then off they were traveling back home again. The Adelizzi family have many happy memories of their trip and Phil managed to bring back proof of one--the unmistakable Florida tan...PAT McCARTHY, structural designer, spent three weeks in London, England. His first two weeks were spent visiting relatives in Manchester. The last week was spent in Dublin and Connemara where the weather was unusually good. It was said that it was the first summer in many years that they had such exceptionally good weather. Personally, I think Pat was the cause of it. His sparkling personality radiated the atmosphere. He spent many of his evenings cabareting and many of his mornings feeling sorry that he did. It was a happy vacation for McCarthy, but now that's in the past. The present is here at CTA and we're all glad to see you back, Pat...DENNIS PERRY and his wife

spent two weeks at Kentucky Lake, Lake of the Ozarks. Along with them came their motor boat. They had a great time on the water and visiting sights like the Cave of the Ozarks. Dennis is a draftsman in the Engineering Department...JOHN CHURA, architectural engineer, spent a week at summer camp in Michigan with the boy scouts. His leadership was so outstanding that Mr. Keiser received a letter of commendation from the Calumet Council 152, Boy Scouts of America. We in Engineering are very proud of Mr. Chura and hope that he will continue to be so generous in his services in helping the next generation to keep America beautiful. We also hope that this will inspire other men and women to reach out to mankind and help it progress.

(West Shops) -

We want to extend a hearty welcome to JOSEPH VEDNARIK, electrician, who came to West Shops from Skokie Shops to assist JOSEPH CHRISTOI. Sorry I forgot to put this in the last issue, Joe, we really are glad to have you aboard. . .About Vacations: CHESTER MAJEROWICZ, plumber foreman, spent a week's vacation with his family swimming, picnicing, and fishing. When I asked him about the fish he caught, he said, "I wouldn't even bother."..The HEFFERNANS took a two-week vacation at the same time. During these two weeks, several special events occurred at the same time. Track Foreman BILL HEFFERNAN's daughter-in-law gave birth to a baby boy. In the same hospital, the same week, Carpenter JOHN HEFFERNAN's daughter had a baby girl and his daughter-in-law also had a baby girl. Congratulations granddaddies, you've both had enough excitement to last for awhile...HAROLD BERNDT, supervisor of building maintenance, spent a week at Ludington, Michigan, camping and fishing with his family. A week at home was spent in giving his daughter's hand in marriage...Congratulations to EARL STAZAK, laborer, who was recently married to the daughter of HAROLD BERNDT. The wedding was held at St. Galls church...Our sincere condolences to JIMMY SMITH, track foreman, whose wife passed away recently; to LEO FELCKOWSKI whose mother passed away, and to the family of JOHN KUCHAN, laborer, who passed away. John had just retired on August 1.

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

GENERAL OFFICE (Reproduction Services) -

A welcome to the department is extended to SHARON DAUKSHIS who transferred from Charter Section. We wish you luck in your new job.

(Insurance) -

CAROL ARNDT and her husband moved into their own home recently and happiness and good luck are being sent to them...CATHY TOMKO was welcomed to the department. She formerly worked in Purchasing Department.

(Office Services) -

MARY WALSH and her husband spent two weeks in Pompano Beach, Florida, and is now sporting a beautiful tan.

(Treasury) -

Mr. JOHN ALLEN, after 51 years of service, retired on September 1. Best wishes are sent to him on his retirement...The welcome mat was extended to ANN GUSICH who transferred from the Purchasing Department to take over the job as cashier. Don't take any wooden nickels.

(Public Information) -

"Murph" and RUDY NEURAUTER visited with EMILY COYNE, retiree who now resides in the beautiful rolling countryside of Galena, Illinois. Although she has been a country girl for three years, she assures us her heart is still with the CTA and her many friends in the Mart...RUSS WARNSTEDT, employes suggestion coordinator, and his wife, RUTH, completed a three-week coastal vacation trip recently which included Peaceful Valley, Colorado; Los Angeles; Long Beach; San Diego, Tiajuana, Mexico, and Albuquerque, New Mexico. In Peaceful Valley, Ruth fractured her toe on their bed thus cutting short all plans for a week of square dancing after they were both graduated into the "Niles Little Squares", too.

(Research & Planning) -

GEORGE KRAMBLES and his nephew, ARTHUR PETERSON, spent a week's vacation in sunny California. They visited with JOHN HIGGINS who is full of pep and back on the job with BART. John gave them a fast tour through the amazing Control Center and Lake Merritt Station near the Oakland City Hall. They visited with AL WOLFE, who was formerly with CTA's Equipment Engineering. George and Arthur drove up to Fort Bragg to ride the Skunk train through the beautiful redwoods. Two other highlights of the trip were visiting with CHARLIE SMALLWOOD, general foreman of the Cable Car House, who showed George and Arthur his considerable collection of historical materials. Time was found to visit the California Railway Museum at Rio Vista Junction where retired streetcars and railroad equipment have been preserved and were operated for their enjoyment...JOHN O'CONNOR's household had a blessed event on July 12. His cocker spaniel, Queenie, gave birth to seven puppies. Six of the puppies were black and white and one was all white. John's working buddy, MARY BOSKI, took her sister, CAROL, out to see the pups. Mary's sister is now the proud owner of the white puppy, which was named Candi. John and his family will undoubtedly be invited to the birthday party for Candi next July...BOB SCHAGEMAN and his family drove to New Hampshire via Canada. They stopped off in Montreal to ride on the rubber-tired Metro. They had an enjoyable ten days with good weather. Bob, being an avid golfer, played on the mountain courses... TOM HENNINGSEN and his wife drove to Corpus Christi, Texas. They took in the sights and spent some time on the beaches and had an enjoyable and restful vacation...MIKE DALEY and his wife, SALLY, drove to Allentown, Pennsylvania, where they visited with Sally's relatives. They drove to Storrs, Connecticut, where Sally took a piano lesson, then

PICTURED HERE is Specialist 4 MICHAEL SHAUGHNESSY, the son of WILLIAM SHAUGHNESSY, welder, South Shops, who is now stationed with the 92nd Finance Section, Camp Ranh Bay, Vietnam, as a payroll speciolist. Mike received his Bachelors Degree in Marketing from Christian Brothers college in Memphis, Tennessee.

they motored on to Boston. Sally visited the Art Museum while Mike rode the trains and streetcars. While in Boston, they visited the famous north end. They also drove up to New York and returned through Cleveland where Mike visited with MIKE McKENNA, former CTA employe who is now superintendent of power and communications with CTS. Mr. McKenna gave Mike a tour of the rapid transit...Good luck to HAROLD J. ROWBOTTOM on his transfer to Public Information, and to JOSEPHINE FELDMANN who recently transferred to Training and Accident Prevention.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

LAWNDALE -

Operator J. REED is in Hines hospital and would like to see some of his friends...I got to see ARCHIE DILLON while on my vacation. He just returned from the State of Washington but sure looks relaxed since taking his pension. ..CTA Loader COHEN took his pension on August 1, and so did JESSE CINCUS. Jesse had a funny thing happen to him on his last day and last trip. He came to the end of the line and he saw quite a few people waiting for his bus. This was unusual, so he thought his leader had left them for him. On close observation, he found them to be his wife, two sons, two daughters-in-law, his daughter, son-in-law, and grandchildren waiting to make the last trip with him. What a surprise!..I understand Superintendent STANLEY BITEL, Keeler, took his pension on September 1. I know he will be missed there, because we greatly missed him at Lawndale. Many happy days of retirement to you and Mrs. Bitel...Mr. and Mrs. WILL GUERTIN wish to express thanks to their many friends for showing their respects to their beloved daughter, SHIRLEY. It was deeply appreciated...The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. EXCELL BENN on August 19 and left a bouncing baby boy. The little fellow weighed in at 8 pounds and was named EXCELL SCHILLACI. Congratulations...I saw LOUIS MAGILL and he said he had made a trip to Paris, France. Did you "Parle voux, Avec?" His next trip will be to Greece and Italy...Instructors JOE STEINBOCK and DAVE HINMAN are doing a great job. Let's give them a big hand...See you later.

- Larry Keating

LIMITS -

MARY SULLIVAN, one of the few women bus cleaners at CTA, has celebrated her 26th year with us. Mary is a very congenial person, who not only does her work well, but also has a wonderful sense of humor. Congratulations on the anniversary of your employment and may you always keep your good health and your wonderful personality... Operator WILLIAM BLEGEN spent part of his vacation preparing for his daughter's wedding which took place on August 16 at St. Lukes Lutheran church, Belmont and Greenview streets. MARTHA BLEGEN is now Mrs. BRUCE McGLIN. They spent their honeymoon at Niagara Falls. Congratulations and best wishes to the newlyweds...Operator ILMAR GRAUDIN and his family spent their vacation touring London, England, and the Scandinavian countries... Operator JOHN GRUBIZEC and his family visited his folks and relatives in Yogoslavia where he reported having a wonderful time...Operator IKE WILLIAMS and his family spent their vacation in Kingston, Jamaica, where the weather was ideal and the scenery beautiful. . .Operator GOELD spent his vacation in beautiful Montreal, Canada,

OPERATOR FRANK KOUBA, Limits, is pictured here holding his latest grandchild, JOHN FRANK KUCZAJ, while his other two grandchildren, SUSAN and MICHAEL DRAKE, pose with him. Frank's daughter, RUTH KAMINSKI, is an Inside News co-reporter for the Claim Department.

where he enjoyed himself to the fullest...JAMES RUTHERFORD, CTA board member who took his pension on August 1, will be greatly missed. May you have a long, healthy, and happy retired life. ERNIE BANKS, Mr. Cub, is being appointed in Mr. Rutherford's place. We all wish him the best. . .Our sincerest sympathy to the family of BRUNO KARP, Charter Section, who passed away suddenly last month.

- R. S. Benson

LOOP -

Get well wishes go to Agent MARY WIXTED who is now convalescing at home after spending a few weeks in the hospital with bronchial pneumonia. Sure hope you are feeling better and hurry back...On vacation at this writing is Agent G. YARDLEY who is visiting her home in Pennsylvania...MORA HAASE is spending her vacation tending and enjoying her two grandchildren and doing some sewing...J. FILIPEK and his family went far North to the wilds of Canada. Sure hope they find their way back. Fishing is good up there, and when you're having fun, one hates to come back to work...JIMMY GEORGE and his wife are going up to their cottage to do a little work. Jimmy says a little beer drinking, too...M. BOGGS is going here, there, and who knows where. She says she is going to relax and enjoy every day of her vacation...JULIE MATTRAN and her husband went to California with the Cubs. When they were not at a game, they were busy visiting places like Disneyland, Hollywood movie stars' homes, and at night they made the rounds of the high class restaurants and night clubs. Then they came home to rest for another long year of hard work. By the way, they flew to California with the Cubs. Julie and Ray talked with several of the players and said they were sure a nice bunch of fellows...Janitor JOHN BARRETT and his wife and son, MIKE, went to Ireland. John wants to help quiet the Irish down, but they really had a grand time. ..Your reporter and her husband, DAN, went south to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, and North Carolina, and then headed back to Oak Lawn anxious to get going again around Lake Michigan where we camped out all the way. I must say, having your own camper with all the conveniences of home is really living. On August 10, Dan and I became grandparents once again. Our oldest son's wife gave birth to a 6 pound 8 ounce baby boy, DANIEL JOHN, who was christened on September 7 at St. Alberts Catholic church in Oak Lawn. He is our seventh grandchild--five boys and two girls. Sundays are so wonderful and happy when we all get together and watch these happy children playing in our big yard. It makes us feel years younger. Grandpa has so much fun playing with them. They climb all over him and he plays with them for hours. We always say that this is the best way to relax and enjoy life. It would be a lonesome

NEW PENSIONERS

JOHN H. ALLEN, Bookkeeper, Treasury, Emp. 6-17-18
STANLEY J. BITEL, Station Superintendent, Keeler, Emp. 9-29-27
EDMUND J. BLASKEY, Combination Clerk, South Shops, Emp. 4-17-34
JAMES P. BRANNAN, Assistant Foreman, 77th Street, Emp. 6-18-29
LAMBERT BRONS, Pressman, South Shops, Emp. 6-8-26
ROBERT W. CHRISTMAN, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 11-22-40
JAMES J. DAMICO, Laborer, Skokie Shops, Emp. 6-24-36
WILLIAM C. DENTAMARO, Schedule Clerk, Schedule-Traffic, Emp. 1-18-34
ROOSEVELT ERWIN, Car Repairman, Kimball, Emp. 5-2-46
MARTIN FLYNN, Bus Repairer, 77th Street, Emp. 9-20-30
ERNEST E. GAEGER, Carpenter, South Shops, Emp. 10-24-27
CHARLES H. JOHNSON, Combination Clerk, South Shops, Emp. 2-19-43
GEORGE H. KLEITZ, Operator, 69th Street, Emp. 9-17-42
RAYMOND A. KUSTOHS, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 3-6-34
GUSTAVE J. KUTA, Serviceman, Forest Glen, Emp. 5-10-44
FRED LEDDER, Ticket Agent, North Section, Emp. 8-14-41
HUBERT J. MORAN, Supervisor, District C, Emp. 2-7-24
JOSEPH S. NIEMCZYK, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 8-12-41
ALFRED L. PARADIES, Operator, North Park, Emp. 1-31-27
LAWRENCE PAWLAK, Receptionist, Executive, Emp. 7-29-25
GEORGE A. ROSE, Operator, Kedzie, Emp. 4-24-42

JOINING THE ranks of the retired September 1 with 40 or more years of transit service each are, left to right, HUBERT J. MORAN, STANLEY J. BITEL, and WALTER TESSMAN.

STANLEY J. RUSIN, Painter, South Shops, Emp. 9-11-29
EUGENE G. SARTI, Operator, Limits, Emp. 7-8-43
FRED A. SCHULTZ, Operator, Kedzie, Emp. 8-18-36
THOMAS L. SORRISSO, Trackman, Track, Emp. 7-17-42
WALTER TESSMAN, Operator, Keeler, Emp. 6-26-29
ARVIN B. WILMONT, Substation Operator, Electrical, Emp. 3-18-40

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

JOHN H. CURTIS, Janitor, South Section, Emp. 5-22-51
THOMAS HILL Sr., Collector, North Avenue, Emp. 1-27-45
ANDREW J. JOHNSON, Operator, 77th Street, Emp. 11-26-48
LOUIS E. MONTOYE, Carpenter, Building, Emp. 12-1-45
RAYMOND M. SWITAL, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 8-27-36
JIMMIE D. WHITTAKER, Switchman, South Section, Emp. 9-25-52

RECEIVING A forewell gift from General Manager T. B. O'CONNOR at a party held in the CTA board room on August 28 is LAWRENCE PAWLAK who retired on September 1 after 44 years of service. Mrs. Powlak is pictured here with Larry for this wonderful occasion.

MARKING THE end of 42 years of service at a farewell party held in his honor at South Shops is LAMBERT BRONS, right, shown receiving his retirement portfolio from Print Shop Foreman WILLIAM C. GURGEL.

life without them. God bless them all...Congratulations to Janitor E. SCHULTZ on the wonderful letter of commendation he received from a professor at DePaul university thanking him for the quick recovery of a portfolio lost by the professor. With the letter, Schultz received a nice big check. This was a surprise reward for his honesty and quick thinking. The professor extended Schultz his warmest gratitude for it saved him considerable grief and anxiety as the portfolio contained research papers that would have been very difficult to replace. Good luck, Schultz, and keep up the good work you are known so well for.

- Mildred Doyle

NORTH AVENUE -

Repairman THOMAS J. GODFREY and his wife, ANNA, became the parents of a baby boy, THOMAS Jr., on August 8. He weighed 8 pounds 1 ounce, was 20 inches long, and was born at Gottleib Memorial hospital at 6:23 p.m. We extend our congratulations. They also have a two year old daughter, VERONICA...Garage Clerk WAYNE MIEDEMA will celebrate his birthday on October 10. My son, DAVID, will celebrate his 11th birthday on September 27...Operator WILLIAM KALBOTH's son, GEORGE, is on leave from Viet Nam and enjoying a belated honeymoon in Hawaii with his wife, PAULINE. May God keep him safe and send him home to stay soon...We received welcome letters from Pensioners BILL ECHOLS and ERNEST PEARSON. Ernest and his wife, ANNA, have been busy getting things set up in their new home so Ernie hasn't had time to search out good fishing spots yet. Bill spent a few days in the Veterans Administration hospital at Little Rock for a general check-up... Supervisor Instructor CLARENCE LEMKE is on the sick list and confined in Resurrection hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery...Operator DON CARLSON did some fishing at Leech Lake, Minnesota. He stayed at Maple Leaf Resort, operated by Dick and Marion Larson. He caught a 14 pound northern plus some walleyes...Chief Clerk EUGENE PETERSON will take his pension on October 1. Coffee and cake will be served at an informal party given by Clerk ARTHUR OLSEN. Supervisor HUBERT J. MORAN took his pension on September 1 after 45 years of service. He started at Elston in 1924. Operator JOSEPH NIEMCZYK took his pension on September 1. Operator THOMAS LEAHY joined the ranks of pensioners on August 1. Our best wishes for health and happiness to all. Keep in touch, boys...My wife and I celebrated our 32nd wedding anniversary with the family for dinner at the White Autumn restaurant...Pensioner VINCENT O'ROURKE passed away on July 23. Former Operator WALTER KERN departed this life August 3. Repairman KENNETH KARP lost his father, BRUNO KARP, of the CTA Charter Service. We have received word that our old friend JOHN (Hurricane) MURPHY has passed away. He was a good friend to all who knew him. He died at the age of 93. We extend our sympathy to these families...Clerk ROBERT STACK finally got around to some fishing in Minnesota. Supervisor WALTER BUNCH vacationed at Eagle River with his wife, LUCY...We hope Clerk CHARLES SCHMIDT, who was in Veterans Research hospital, is well on the road to recovery...We were happy to receive a letter from Pensioner JOSEPH REINHART and his wife now living in Harbor Beach, Michigan, saying they are well...Day Foreman JOSEPH FIORITA and his family spent their vacation at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

THESE LUCKY fishermen are Pensioner ERNEST BOCK and DAVID MIEDEMA, the son of North Avenue Reporter WILLIAM MIEDEMA. They proudly display their catch while on a fishing trip in Wisconsin recently. Ernie had a hard time keeping up with David.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

The Little Flower Society fall communion mass and breakfast will be held Sunday, October 12, at St. Patrick's church, located at Adams and Desplaines streets. A chartered bus will leave the depot at 7 a.m. and all members are urged to attend...Board Members LASKE and ABERNATHY wish to thank everyone for their part in the COPE drive. Anyone who hasn't contributed can do so by seeing them...Operator RONALD and Mrs. HODGES made an emergency trip to New Albany, Mississippi, to be near Ron's mother, Mrs. HODGES, who underwent major surgery. At this writing, she is convalescing satisfactorily... Operator ANDY HOLZMAN and his wife, MARY, vacationed at Pennelwood, Michigan, where their daughter, MARILYN, son-in-law, JAMES JENSON, and granddaughter, KATHY, of New York joined the Holzmans. Andy reports it was two grand weeks of relaxation...Operator THOMAS WILSON and his wife, BONNIE, and son, KELLY, vacationed at Charleston, West Virginia, where Bonnie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT BOOKER, reside. Upon returning home, Tom spent the rest of his vacation painting his home...Operator CHARLEY KEMP and his wife, HELEN, and son, GARY, vacationed at their summer home located in Brookside, Wisconsin. Charley reports that the mosquitoes were so large and vicious that it made fishing impossible...Operator EMERLY HAYDEN and his wife, MADELINE, vacationed in Daleville, Indiana, and enjoyed the cooking of Emery's mother, Mrs. MAE HAYDEN...Operator BUCKY WALTERS and his wife, DORCAS, and children, KIRK and HELEN, vacationed in and around Dorr County, Wisconsin. Bucky reports that the golfing and cherry picking were excellent... Operator CHESTER OLENSKI spent his vacation taking in the sights of Chicago and other points of interest with his wife, JOANNE, and children, MIKE, DAVID, and CRAIG... Receiver AL REMACK and his wife, DOROTHY, vacationed in Jamaica. Highlights of the trip were a few days at Montego Bay, with a train ride through the mountains, then on to Ocho Rios with a raft ride down the Rio Grande, and a crack at night life in Kingston before returning home...Operator HAROLD SEDIN and his wife, SOPHIA, flew to Medford, Oregon, to visit Sophia's daughter, Mrs. KAY HATFIELD. Also on the agenda, was a visit to San Diego, California, to visit Sophia's son, Chief Petty Officer JIM DEGELMANN. Harold and Jim enjoyed several rounds of golf with the scores reported to be in the 80's...Operator OSCAR AUGDAHL and his wife, EVELYN, flew to San Diego, California, to visit Evelyn's sister, Mrs. JEAN DE

SALE. The Augdahls were impressed with the visits they made to the navy installations and the beauty of this great state...Operator RALPH ILLION and Mr. HENRY GALINSKI motored to Manitoba State Park, Canada, on their vacation. Ralph reports the fishing was poor. . .Operator OLLIE RODGERS and his wife, VERDEAN, and Operator DAVID LINK and his wife, JOANNE, motored to Montreal, Canada, on their vacation. Highlights of the trip were visits to Man and his World, including a visit with Actor Jim Brown, a grand climax to the trip...Clerk JOE DE GIOVANNI and his wife, CONNIE, enjoyed a delayed honeymoon at Niagara Falls. Also on the agenda were visits to the New England States with several fine shrimp dinners at Cape Cod...Operator BILL KNIGHT and his wife, ELKENA, and their children spent their vacation camping out at Skillet Creek Farm, located at Baraboo, Wisconsin. Bill reports the fishing was fair and is looking forward to returning to this excellent camping site...Operator KENCH BORUM and his wife, JEANETTE, and son, DARREN, flew to Washington, D.C., to visit Kench's parents, Mr. and Mrs. KENCH BORUM Sr. Also on the agenda was a trip to Augusta, Georgia, where Kench and his family were impressed with the beauty and progress of this area...Operator LYNN BUTLER and his wife, ANNE, vacationed throughout the Canadian Provinces. The Butlers report that the basiliques and wayside shrines of Quebec are beautiful...Pensioner CHARLES KERR and his wife, ANNE, were recent visitors in Chicago and would like to be remembered to all their many friends. The Kerrs are continuing on, heading for California, and will be gone for a period of two months on their trip...Pensioner HERMAN ERICKSEN and his wife, of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, were recent visitors in Chicago, and extend greetings to their many friends...Operator MEL HORNING and his wife, VIOLET, spent a week in Detroit, Michigan, visiting Mr. and Mrs. JACK CHAMBERS. A visit with Pensioner LEROY PEDERSON and his wife, BERNICE, of Decatur, Michigan, was also on the agenda. Pete and Bernice invite their Chicago friends to stop by at 310 John street and enjoy their grand hospitality when in the area... Operator NICK ZAHN and his wife, JULIA, announced the marriage of their daughter, PAT, to Mr. TAL HOWELL on July 1 at St. Benedicts church. The reception was held at the Zahn's home with 100 guests attending.

Operator LEROY CONKLIN and his wife, FLORENCE, became grandparents for the second time when their son, TERRY, and his wife, CHERRY, became parents of a daughter named CHERYL ANN born on July 20 at Doctors hospital located in Bossier City, Louisiana. Baby Cheryl weighed 7 pounds...Operator IRVING SHER and his wife, MILDRED, became grandparents for the third time when their daughter, Mrs. MARILYN EDELMAN, gave birth to a daughter named CHERYL BETH, born July 22 at Swedish Covenant hospital...Operator LEONARD BAEUCHLER and his wife, VIVIAN, announced the marriage of their son, WAYNE, to Miss ELAINE LOUISE BODE at Immanuel Lutheran church. The reception was held in the church parish hall attended by 150 guests. The young couple will reside in Racine, Wisconsin, where they are school teachers...Happy anniversaries are extended to Operator MIKE RIDGE and his wife, RACHEL, their 35th; Operator RAY DONESKI and his wife, EVELYN, their 41st; Operator LEN BAEUCHLER and his wife, VIVIAN, their 31st; Operator ED KURCZEWSKI and his wife, BEVERLY, their 20th; Operator CHESTER DAMIAN and his wife, IRENE, their 29th; Operator HENRY SCHRAMM and his wife, ELIZABETH, their 30th; Operator GEORGE KRINKE and his wife,

THIS HANDSOME young man happens to be BILL DENTAMARO, schedule clerk, who retired on September 1 after 35 years of service. The picture was taken in April, 1934, three months after he joined the CSL as a conductor working out of North Avenue Depot.

PEARL, their 40th; Sanitary Engineer OSCAR ANDERSON and his wife, LUELLA, their 35th; Operator JOHN KIPPES and his wife, VIRGINIA, their 23rd; Operator MEYER LEMEL and his wife, PHYLLIS, their 17th; Operator NATE CHAVIS and his wife, VELMA, their 14th; Operator EDWARD BADEN and his wife, JOSEPHINE, their 38th, and Operator FRED ANHALT and his wife, ANN, their 26th... Happy birthdays are extended to ELYSE LIBERT and PEARL KRINKE...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to Operator EMERY HAYDEN on the loss of his father, Mr. DANIEL HAYDEN, and to the KARP family on the loss of their husband and father, BRUNO KARP of Charter Service...VIC MICETIC, who has been on disability pension, is still living at the Irving Park YMCA and invites his friends to stop in and have a cup of coffee with him... Operator AL PARADISE retired on September 1 after 42 years of service. Al and his wife, FAYE, will be making their home in Mesa City, Arizona, and we at North Park wish Al and Faye many years of leisure living...Receiver BOB PETERSON was operated on at Swedish Covenant hospital for a hernia. At this writing Bob is convalescing satisfactorily and his many friends are wishing him the best...Operator PETER WILLEMSEN became a father for the third time when his wife, ANNIE, gave birth to a daughter, LINDA JEAN, born July 27...AGNES MERSCH, the wife of Repairman JULIUS MERSCH, retired from the Combined Insurance Company of America, and her co-workers hosted a grand party for Agnes at the Millionaires Club where she was presented with some beautiful gifts. . .Repairman FRANK (the cat) SCHENDEL has purchased a 1969 Ford LTD and anyone entering the new job has to take their shoes off to keep the new silk carpeting clean...Repairman PAUL SCHREEVES and his family vacationed at Baraboo, Wisconsin. A visit to the Circus Museum was a must where Paul had a chance to play a concert on the calliope... Pensioner JOE JOHNSON, who is farming in Knox, Indiana, and Pensioner SKIPPY GLINES were recent visitors at the garage. Both gentlemen are in excellent health and enjoying pension life...Serviceman RED STAUNTON has gone on a skiing vacation again and hopes to come back without any bad breaks this time...Repairman BOND has purchased a 1969 Ford LTD and is ready for new fields to conquer... Repairman PFEIFER, of the night shift, went on pension August 1 and was given a fine party at the garage...Repairman MATT HEAVEY and his wife vacationed in Ireland. Matt has a farm in Roscommon and had a wonderful time renewing old acquaintances. . .Bus Dispatcher GEORGE SERITELLA and his family spent their vacation in Brook-

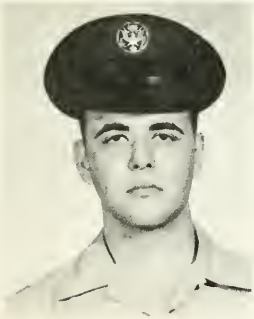
lyn, New York, visiting relatives and had several fine Italian meals at Patsy's Inn...Assistant Foreman JOE COUGHLIN and his wife, DOROTHY, spent his vacation making short trips to Wisconsin and around Chicagoland. Repairman JULIUS MERSCH and his grandchildren attended an old fashioned thrashing bee in Sycamore, Illinois. Many old time steam engines were actually in use and the exhibition was grand. Julius reports the barbecues on the Marshall Farm were well worth the trip...Clerk HAROLD ENWRIGHT, Storeroom 43, is convalescing at home after suffering a serious illness...The sympathy of the garage is extended to the family of Repairman KNUTE LIKENESS and Repairman FRANK SCHENDL on the loss of his brother.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

JOHN BERQUIST took a trip to Northern Minnesota after 22 years to see his hometown of Salo, and stopped off at the Mayo Clinic, Paul Bunyan, and several other interesting places. He really enjoyed himself...Condolences to MARIE TOWNSEND on the loss of her brother-in-law, IRVING KNAPP, a former CTA policeman...STELLA GIBBS took a trip to Pellston, Michigan, for her vacation...E. SHALLBETTER, her son, daughter-in-law, and granddaughter took a trip through the southern states with a visit to Key West, Florida, and had a wonderful time...TED BRENNAN is back from Viet Nam. A party was held for him at Connelly's Tap...Your scribe and her husband have been on the go lately. We attended a reunion on my mother's side of the family at Attica, Indiana, which 47 attended. On August 10, we attended a reunion on my father's side at Holland, Michigan, at which 85 were present. On August 17 we went to Joliet for the Post Office Union picnic where 54 people attended...PAUL LANZ is out of the hospital and recuperating at home...W. CHASE is out of the hospital after 2½ weeks and has returned to work...L. WEINCORD, Kimball conductor, was operated on for a tumor on August 20. We hope he has a speedy recovery...Mr. and Mrs. JOE GOLDBERG celebrated their 9th wedding anniversary on August 28...Condolences to Student Agent FRANK DeLAPAZ on the loss of his father, July 16...WILMA EDEN's nephew was married on July 12 at Sister Bay, Wisconsin. She went up to the wedding as part of her vacation...I had a little chat with ALEX MUSCATO the other day when he and his wife were visiting here from Florida for a few weeks. He says hello to all on the line...One of our employes would like to hear from anyone who has a citizen band radio in their car. Contact KPJ8864...Porter JOHN LOVE had a birthday on August 16, and W. CHASE celebrated his on July 21...Congratulations to Conductor JOE NASH and his wife on the birth of a baby boy recently...ART RABEN had the misfortune to fall off a ladder and break his leg in several places. You know Art, he says he is down but not out, as it could have been worse. He was transferred to Edgewater Beach hospital and is getting along fine...Agent FRED LEDDER took his pension on September 1. Hope he has a long and happy retirement...PAT O'MALLEY and E. COLWELL made supervisor instructors recently...E. MURPHY took a trip to Denver, Colorado, to see Former Agent SHIRLEY MURPHY and his new grandson...TED COTAS would like to thank all who contributed to his retirement gift, and a special thanks to Mr. ZUPKO and Mr. BOYLE who presented him with the gift.

- Grace Mounts



AIRMAN JOHN S. MARCHINSKI, the son of CASMER R. MARCHINSKI, machinist, Skokie Shops, has completed his basic training at Lackland AFB, Texas, and has been assigned to Lowry AFB, Colorado, for training in the missile electronics field.

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

The first of each month is the day for retirements, the time when the CTA loses many good employes. A good example of this is MARY (WILEY) ROACH who retired on August 1 and now devotes all her time to being a housewife. She was honored at a dinner held on July 30 at Pioneer Court and was presented with a parting gift. In the near future, Mary and her husband, DON, intend to do some traveling. We are certainly going to miss her, and I'm sure I speak for everyone when I say we wish Mary the best of luck, good health, and a long and happy retirement...Congratulations to ANGELA (who formerly worked in Transportation) and BOB BRATEK who became the proud parents of a baby girl. The new member of the family attracting all their attention is DIANE CATHERINE. She was born on August 15 and weighed 6 pounds 14 ounces. If you happen to see a programmer trainee walking around on air it's probably Bob, the happy father...JOE VODVARKA and his wife and family are taking a real liking to camping. This year they spent one week at Landuit Lake, Illinois. They did all the things typical of campers like fishing, swimming, boating, and hiking. The weather was ideal and they had a good time...JOHN McEVILLY and his wife, KATHERINE, drove to Des Moines, Iowa, to attend a reunion of the 96th Infantry Division. It's been approximately 24 years since John has seen these men. Upon returning he stated that most of them changed, but he didn't. (This, to me, is questionable.) He said it was wonderful renewing old acquaintances and reminiscing over old times...Taking another trip down south was JAMES R. BLAA and his wife, ANN, and their children, JIM and MARY BETH. They stopped at Stone Mountain which is east of Atlanta, Georgia, and rode a cable car to the top where the view was very pretty. At this point he looked down and saw planes flying below him instead of above and then realized the height of the mountain. One entire week was spent in Clearwater, Florida, just relaxing on the beach, taking life easy, and visiting with his parents. On the way home they went on a tour of Fontana Dam in North Carolina, stayed in the Smoky Mountains a couple of days, and also did some sightseeing at Gatlinburg where they got some exercise by climbing to the top of Clingmans Dome which is 6,642 feet, the highest point in Tennessee. They had beautiful weather throughout the trip and really enjoyed themselves...Your scribe is happy to tell of the birth of another niece, DENISE AUDREY, who was born on August 14 and weighed 7 pounds 11½ ounces. The proud mother is my sister, AUDREY ANDERSON, who formerly worked in the Insurance Depart-

ment...Our sympathy is extended to the families of EDGAR FERGUSON who passed away in July, and JOHN HUIZENGA who passed away in August. Both were retired line supervisors...WALTER PAVONI and his wife, DAWN, spent a leisurely vacation driving around in Canada, stopping many times to take in the sights. One morning when they were eating breakfast, Walter noticed the place mat had a map showing the best places to go fishing. He decided to give one of them a try and had a wonderful day pulling in the big ones.

(Traffic Planning) -

Congratulations to JAMES and JEAN ROCHE who became the parents of another girl. LAURA JEAN was born on July 27 at 7:32 p.m. weighing 6 pounds 13 ounces. Jim was another proud father seen walking around the 7th floor. ..If you happened to be in the Traffic Planning Department on August 11 and saw something sparkle it was coming from the hand of NANCY HAGEMEYER. On August 9 she became engaged to RICHARD B. JOHNSON who works as an apprentice pipe fitter. The big day is set for September 12, 1970. Good luck and best wishes to both of you.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

We would like to welcome into our department FRED A. WILSON who recently transferred from 77th Street Station. ..On August 1, PETER J. BELASICH retired with 33 years of service. His brother, CHARLES, JOE MULREE, PETE CARPINO, ELMER FEHLHABER, and many others had a little going away party for him at Blue Island and enjoyed coffee and rolls. Good luck for a long and happy retirement...J. J. ROCHE thanks everyone for all the get well wishes he received while a patient at St. Anne's hospital. He is back at work and feeling fine. Convalescing at this time are R. BOWERS and H. FELTZ. We hope that both of you will be feeling much better in no time at all...Our condolences are extended to STANLEY MICHALEC and his family on the loss of his brother during the month of July.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

TOM LYONS and his wife, HELEN, and son, DAVID, spent three weeks driving around and camping. They went to Toronto, Ottawa, and then camped at a Provincial Park in Quebec. Their next stop was New Brunswick and Fundy National Park where they stayed for four days enjoying natures beauty, hiking in the woods, and just taking life easy. They drove on to Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island (which they found very interesting and stayed for four more days), Maine, Massachusetts, and New York. During the entire trip, they made many stops at places of interest and took many pictures. They did a lot of traveling during this time and loved every minute of it.

- Colette Szczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Mrs. ANNE JOBARIS and her daughter, MARY ANN, attended the wedding of Miss JANET HEALY on July 26. The reception was held at the Martinique restaurant, and Anne states it was just a beautiful affair...Many changes have taken place in the last month or so, a lot of friends have left, and their desks are now filled with new faces. For this issue we have a new addition to the office, JOANNE FENN, our new Purchasing Department order clerk. She originally began her CTA career (that's when she was Miss PYTLEWICZ) in the Stores Department a few years back

THIS BEAUTIFUL bride is JUDITH PRYOR, the daughter of Supervising Instructor RAYMOND PRYOR, 77th Street, who was united in marriage to RICHARD T. THOMPSON on August 9 at St. John Fisher church.

and has since been in the Stenographic and Insurance Departments. Good to have you back, Joanne...Finally we've received some news from the boys out South--JOHNNY MARASOVICH, our man in Sr. 60, is a very proud father these days. Johnny's 15 year old son, TOM, a hard throwing right hander, hurled a no-hit, no-run game for the Gage Park Liberty League All-Star team. They defeated the Kelly Park squad 3-0. Unfortunately, Tom didn't have this same luck in the second game, he was hit by a pitched ball while at bat and received a fractured thumb. Tom's team also lost the championship series, two games to one. Congratulations, Tom, and better luck next year...Summertime, summertime almost all gone; with the passing of Labor Day, we are headed towards that beautiful time of the year, Autumn, with its smoke filled nights of burning leaves and "Injuns" dancing around them corn stalks piled on "Ole" McDonald's farm, and soon to arrive, Mr. Jack Frost, and Old Man Winter, BRRR...Well, back to the present and a little review of "Hey Baby What's Happening."..In asking Mr. J. T. HARTY if he had any news for our magazine, he informed me that he "pedalled" his son, MIKE, to Corpus Christi university. Now I'm wondering--did he ride him there on a bicycle or did he trade Mike for a couple of golf balls? Very interesting, Mr. Harty! But seriously, Mr. Harty did see his son Mike off to the university where he will be attending school this year. Mr. Harty's oldest son, MARTY, and his wife have returned to Washington, D.C., and his previous job. So you can see there were quite a few good-bye's to be said. Good luck to all. I also found out that in between all those good-byes, Mr. Harty still found a little time to get out on the links and swing the clubs a little. I guess it's true--nothing stops a golfer. Amen!.. Our clerk-typist, MARY BETH MURRAY, has taken Miss KITTY DWYER's position in the Stores Department. Kitty recently retired and should be somewhere in Canada about this time...Remember our last issue--BOB McCARTHY's daughter, THERESA, was waiting to enter the final match of the baseball throw sponsored by the Illinois Youth Commission. Guess what--she took first place with a throw of 172 feet 10 inches. How about that for an 11 year old girl. Her closest competitor was almost 20 feet short. For her accomplishment she was awarded a beautiful trophy, and from all of us in the office, "congratulations", Theresa. A little about the McCarthy's vacation now. BOB and the family ventured out to Newton, Iowa, to a farm owned by some very close friends. Is this where Theresa got in condition for the contest? While there they visited the Iowa State Fair, and what else but a good time was had by all.

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

JOHN BENANTI, 70, North Division,
Emp. 5-6-36, Died 7-7-69
JOHN BISCHAK, 83, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 4-2-43, Died 7-6-69
HARRY H. BOREN, 65, Beverly,
Emp. 6-22-25, Died 7-26-69
OSCAR E. BROWN, 81, North Section,
Emp. 6-10-08, Died 7-17-69
REGINALD J. BURROWS, 64, West Section,
Emp. 1-4-26, Died 7-16-69
JOHN W. CAMPBELL, 77, West Section,
Emp. 5-24-20, Died 7-25-69
JAMES J. CAREY, 66, Utility,
Emp. 1-26-42, Died 7-16-69
ALBERT L. CARLSON, 69, Kimball,
Emp. 10-31-28, Died 7-10-69
JOHN E. CHAMBERS, 81, North Avenue,
Emp. 5-9-23, Died 7-16-69
GEORGE A. CYRICOS, 87, 77th Street,
Emp. 8-22-11, Died 7-15-69
ALBERT V. DALY, 72, 69th Street,
Emp 7-2-25, Died 7-15-69
CLARENCE DAVIS, 61, 52nd Street,
Emp. 6-2-44, Died 7-26-69
EDGAR F. FERGUSON, 71, Operations Control,
Emp. 5-7-27, Died 7-10-69
DENIS FRAWLEY, 68, North Park,
Emp. 9-17-42, Died 7-13-69
VENETTA M. GLASSON, 86, North Section,
Emp. 2-7-38, Died 6-15-69
THOMAS GOLDEN, 82, Limits,
Emp. 4-17-09, Died 7-31-69
PAUL E. GRUNERT, 71, South Shops,
Emp. 9-16-29, Died 7-14-69
JEROME HOFFMAN, 57, Kedzie,
Emp. 7-6-33, Died 7-26-69
MICHAEL HOGAN, 61, Forest Glen,
Emp. 9-9-29, Died 6-27-69
BRUNO KARP, 51, Charter Service,
Emp. 1-9-46, Died 8-12-69
WALTER C. KERN, 62, Security,
Emp. 10-12-36, Died 8-2-69
DANIEL KIDNEY, 75, South Section,
Emp. 8-3-25, Died 8-4-69
JOHN KOZIOL, 79, West Shops,
Emp. 11-22-44, Died 7-1-69
WALTER KRULL, 74, Internal Auditing,
Emp. 12-13-15, Died 7-21-69
GEORGE Y. LEGO, 82, North Avenue,
Emp. 10-26-16, Died 7-26-69
BERNARD LEWIS, 77, West Section,
Emp. 6-10-16, Died 7-3-69
JOSEPH MANNELLA, 84, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 5-10-06, Died 7-15-69
JOHN McFARLAND, 89, Electrical,
Emp. 4-25-04, Died 7-10-69
FRANK MILINGI, 85, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 4-19-22, Died 8-5-69
ALONZO W. MILLER, 89, West Section,
Emp. 8-23-01, Died 7-10-69
PATRICK MURTAUGH, 79, South Section,
Emp. 7-21-13, Died 7-9-69
WILLIE B. NAUDEN, 55, Keeler,
Emp. 9-4-45, Died 7-27-69
BENJAMIN NEWMAN, 72, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 9-29-24, Died 7-28-69
GIACOMO NOBILE, 78, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 6-17-23, Died 7-27-69
PATRICK O'CONNOR, 80, Kedzie,
Emp. 5-10-23, Died 7-13-69
ADAM OLSZEWSKI, 87, West Shops,
Emp. 6-24-19, Died 7-19-69
VINCENT O'ROURKE, 59, District C,
Emp. 8-18-41, Died 7-25-69
ALBERT J. PIKER, 81, Beverly,
Emp. 5-27-07, Died 8-5-69
FRED J. POST, 92, South Shops,
Emp. 2-1-26, Died 7-13-69
MAKSO PUYANIC, 85, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 4-19-21, Died 7-22-69
JOHN RIES, 72, 52nd Street,
Emp. 7-30-24, Died 7-28-69
CHARLES E. RITTER, 83, Limits,
Emp. 1-21-20, Died, 6-22-69
JOSEPH SCHIESSL, 79, 69th Street,
Emp. 1-6-14, Died 6-9-69
RUDOLPH SESTAK, 76, West Section,
Emp. 6-1-14, Died 7-11-69
ANTIONIOS VERDIS, 78, 61st Street,
Emp. 3-5-28, Died 8-5-69
FRANK L. VOSMIK, 72, Loomis,
Emp. 5-17-43, Died 7-29-69
ARTHUR J. WERNET, 56, Lawndale,
Emp. 11-28-42, Died 8-28-69
SIMON P. ZURO, 72, Construction & Maint.,
Emp. 4-22-21, Died 7-25-69

Now back to work, Bob!..And then along came CHESTER SKORA and his wife, and where did they go but to sunny Florida. First stop--Cape Kennedy and an all-day tour of the complex. They were fortunate enough to see the historic Apollo 11 rocket sitting on its launching pad being prepared for that big day which we all were waiting for, the landing of the first man on the moon. From there it was onward to Fort Lauderdale combined with a little basking in the sun. Now I think this is sad. Chester and his wife arrived in Tampa, went to visit Busch Gardens, and were unable to sample their wares. The brewery was on strike. And then it was homeward bound...Sounds like Iowa was a favorite this summer. REBECCA COUSIN of the Purchasing Department leisurely spent her vacation in Waterloo, Iowa, with some of her close friends. How was the corn, Becky? Did you meet your Waterloo?..We would like to express our deepest sympathy to the RUSAKIEWICZ family on the sudden death of RUSTY's father and ROD's grandfather, CASIMER RUSAKIEWICZ. He was 76 years old... TOM GALANTE of the Purchasing Department, who was gone three weeks for a brief stay in the Martha Washington hospital, has returned to us in high spirits eager to continue working. We're so glad to hear you're feeling fine Tom.

- Jane Urso & Rod Rusakiewicz

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

JOE VIOLA vacationed by catching up with some painting and taking some short trips...MARY ANN COX spent her

vacation by catching up with some household chores and then took some trips with her husband...JOE CAPPELLETTI also vacationed by taking some short trips...We wish BILL DENTAMARO a long and happy retirement. Bill started as a conductor with the Chicago Surface Lines on January 18, 1934, and then came to the Schedule Department on December 16, 1942. Bill retired on September 1, but a farewell get-together was held in his honor on August 22...JAKE SUMNER flew up to Seattle, Washington...RICHARD GOLDSTEIN and his wife drove to Detroit, Cincinnati and then on to Louisville to visit with relatives and friends. ..We welcome ED JOYCE back to CTA and to the Schedule Department, also C. KEELER, outside checker, as a traffic clerk...MARGE (Rosich) VIDAL, former employe of Schedule Department, gave birth to a baby girl, ELIZABETH PILAR.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

PATRICK GALLAGHER and his wife, MARY, proudly announced the birth of a daughter, BRIDGETT ANN, who was born on August 5 and weighed 7 pounds 6 ounces... FRANK OLSZEWSKI, foreman, who has been off ill for quite some time, announced the arrival of a grandson, RONALD T. OLSZEWSKI II, born on July 5 and weighing 7 pounds 4 ounces...A celebration was held at Skokie Shops upon the completion of the ATC (automatic train control) job which was finished in record time with the cooperation of all concerned. A job well done, boys...JANET BUERGER, the daughter of Electrical Worker WILLIAM BUERGER, was one of seven soloists when the Chicago Conservatory College presented its annual Commencement Concert at Orchestra Hall on June 15. Janet, a young coloratura soprana, sang one of the most difficult opera arias, Bellini's "Que la voce" from "I Puritana", which held the audience spellbound. She received four curtain calls and the "bravos" were heard throughout the hall. Our congratulations to this fine young singer...At this writing your reporter, EVERETT ENGLAND, is taking a little tour of Wisconsin.

- Everett E. England

WEST SECTION -

Summer just slipped past us and memories of it will linger on until next year. Some of our wealthier men took trips to Europe. J. JOVANOVICH visited his homeland, Yogoslavia, and took side trips to France and Italy. J. SOFER visited relatives in Poland and also took a trip to Moscow. BOB and INGRID NEIGHBORS went to Germany to visit her parents. They met in Germany and revived many memories of their courtship. To Ingrid, who sent us a card, I hope she had a wonderful time, and to Bob, bah!.. The rest of us just enjoyed traveling around the beautiful U.S.A...JOHN WINNIEKI is back to work and looking great. He was off for a long time due to an eye operation...TOM CULHANE returned to work after Labor Day after his long illness. It's great to have him back...Our southern gentleman, JIM HOOD, is still off sick, and we hope he will be back before this edition is out. . .One of the best, AL SCHARF, is sick also. We wish him a speedy return to work...My side-kick, LOU PAYNE, wrote the last column and I am writing this one, as if you couldn't tell. Youth will always be better than the old-timers...One of our new supervisors is N. COMAN and it couldn't happen to a nicer man. He is carrying a pocket full of pencils but says he can't even write...Say, we have among us a Jamaican track star who holds quite a few records. He is K. SMALLING whom I have been trying to be nice to just in case he might take me to Jamaica. Truthfully, with his great posterior, I think I can beat him in a race. Well, there goes a trip to the island...It is with great pleasure that we announce the marriage of A. CLARK. It was a long time coming. We all wish him and his wife all the success and happiness in the world...Congratulations to HELEN POULOS, the daughter of Motorman A. POULOS, on receiving a scholarship to the University of Illinois, Circle Campus. It never fails, good looks and brains always go together...Now that the fellows know my initials, S.S., means sex symbol, they are snickering behind my back. It must be jealousy...The father of the bride, ED DOMAIN, danced all night at his daughter's wedding. Now we know why he was walking so funny. Congratulations to his daughter and her husband...DOROTHY FORD, one of our fine agents, was hospitalized and her husband, LEO FORD, got even with the dog by smoking those terrible cigars around the house. Now that Dorothy is home, Leo is smoking in the basement again...It sure was about time that we made Superintendent ED HEATTER smile. By winning the safety award, we made him happy. So let's keep on winning for there isn't anything better than a smiling boss...Oh how I tried to take up the slack while J. CIMMERER was on vacation. It was to no avail as no one can replace John...J. FRAZIER transferred to the Electrical Department, and it won't be long before he will endow them with all his knowledge. We will miss him, but we have J. IRVING to replace him now and we won't be left in the dark...I'm all tired out, so I'll see you all next month. One bit more, fellows, I was only kidding.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Congratulations to Pensioner CHARLES ROMANO and his wife, MADELINE, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 26. The celebration began with mass

said by their nephew, Father PUSATERI, and ended with dining and dancing at the Seven Oaks restaurant. The music was provided by their grandson. Best wishes to both of them for continued health and happiness. To add a note, Charley, who has been confined to a wheel chair, would like to see some of his old friends to pass the hours talking

over old times...All the boys at Congress gave a party to bid farewell to AL LONG who took a disability pension. We hope Al enjoys many years of happiness...The RALPH DANIELSONS, Congress, celebrated their 43rd wedding anniversary. Ralph traded in one of his "used" stamps and gave his wife a new home as a present. Best wishes for years of health and happiness are sent their way...PAT SODEN, Congress, made his annual vacation trip to Ireland. ..A. WITHERSPOON was promoted to "B" repairman and transferred to 61st Street Shop...Welcome to J. CAMPBELL, J. COLBERT, J. PIERUCCI, C. WILLIAMS, and J. SCHUMACHER, new men at Congress.

- Ray Brzeczek

SOUTH SECTION -

Well it is back to work for the HARTNEY family after a wonderful trip around the lake. We drove up to Michigan and went over to Mackinac Island and then down to Wisconsin. We also toured Dorr County. It was a very nice trip. We stayed at Green Bay one day, near the Green Bay Packers training camp, but hubby, ROLAND, wouldn't even go see them practice because he didn't want to jinx his beloved Bears...Now, on with the news. A belated welcome to these newly transferred trainmen from the North Section: DARRYL BEANLAND, CLARENCE CONNER, JOSEPH HAYES, JAMES ANDERSON, BOBBY McCREE, ELVIN WHITE, EDDIE WILLIAMS, MAURICE WILLIAMS, STEPHAN MARTIN, and ROBERT JORDAN...Returning from a lovely trip to the "Old Sod" Ireland is Motorman and Division 308 Board Member CHARLIE LOUGHRAN...Back off the sick list are: Switchamn JOSEPH TRIBETT, Motormen MARTIN CUNNANE and PATRICK MORAN, Conductor JAMES CAREY, and Agents ISAAC COULTER and EDGAR FRILOUX... Received a nice card from Retired Motorman ANGELOS YPSILANTI who is vacationing in Greece and said the scenery is beautiful...Our sincere condolences to Janitors EDWARD FREEMAN and LAWRENCE NEAL on the passing of their fathers...BOB ROESING, superintendent of agents and and janitors, and his family traveled throughout the state of Colorado on vacation and said the Rocky Mountains were an impressive sight...Congratulations to Conductor JOSEPH C. JOHNSON who qualified as clerk recently, and to Motormen DAVID CURRY, BERNARD WILLIAMS, THOMAS HUGHES, MITCHELL THOMAS, and DALE SLEDGE who graduated from supervisor's school...Also, "hi" to newly hired Agents PHYLLIS WOODS, MARGENIA BRANCH, NANNIE LEMON, MARY ANN PATE, CAROLYN SMYLES, ELMIE HENRY, SHIRLEY BALLARD, ESTELLE FLAGG, and ESTELLA PATTERSON...Retired Motorman JOHN BARRY and his wife sent a card from Ireland where they are vacationing. They are also going to England to visit John's brother. He says to tell everyone hello for him...On the sick list at this writing are: Janitor AUSBIE GILLESPIE, Agent SHIRLEY ANDERSON, and Clerk THOMAS O'HARA. Here's hoping for a speedy recovery...Heard that Retired Motorman VINCENT PRINSKI and his wife have moved to Mt. Home, Arkansas. We wish them luck...Deciding to resign were: Conductor GEORGE WALTERS, Agent BARBARA HAMILTON, and Part-time Agents BEVERLY LANE and PATRICIA GAMMAGE...We are sorry to have to report that some of our pensioners have passed away recently: Conductor PATRICK MURTAUGH, Agents NELLIE SWEENEY and MARY KELLY, Towerman EMIL GLATZ, and Motorman DANIEL KIDNEY. Our sincere sympathy goes out to their families...Receiving a passenger commendation recently was Agent HENRIENNE CLAY for returning change which a passenger had left behind...Retired Supervisor HUGH KELLEY was in town recently from Florida to visit his sister. He had just come from New Mexico where he had visited his other sister...Retired Towerman JAMES HARVEY wishes to thank everyone for his pension party at 61st Street before he retired. He says he will cherish the pleasant memories. He and his wife, SARAH, just returned from a trip to California. Boy, our pensioners sure do get around...Clerk EARL JONES is down on the range in Beaumont, Texas, enjoying his vacation.

- Verna Hartney

77TH STREET -

Fresh back from two weeks vacation in Memphis, Tennessee, and eager to get started again, I'm just in time to pick a new run on Stony Island. Those hot rods ran me off Cottage Grove. The old man can't handle it any more... I ran into LOVELADY, one of our new supervisors, as he and his family were leaving for two weeks in Canada...Recently our good friend, EDWARD REAUX, was held up on King Drive. Eddie had to take a few days off because of a severe cold. We wonder?..Someone should tell PERCY REDDICK to slow down on the street. One would think he was behind the wheel of that new Olds 442 of his...With the summer vacations and all, there's a lot of new supervisors popping up at various timepoints. So, slow down fellows. Give these guys a chance to see your run number and bus number. They are confused enough...Sorry to hear about EUGENE KENNARD being off ill for several days. We can say this because we don't follow Kenny...We are happy to hear that RONALD PHILPOT is home from a short stay in the hospital following surgery. Hurry back, Ron...The 77th Street softball team got off to a great start by winning a double header from Kedzie and Beverly. Manager CHARLIE JOHNSON reported with a big grin, and the tune you hear around the station is "77th Street all the way in '69." Keep it up, fellows. . .Operator LINGO recently returned from a two-week vacation in New Orleans. He said the fishing was really good...DICK LANE, SAM GRAHAM, L. DURR, and BILL PATTERSON recently returned from a week of fishing in Wisconsin. They report the fishing was great but the weather bad. It seems it rained every day. Say, fellows, how about an invite to a fish fry?..June was the month for graduations. Mr. and Mrs. ELCOSIE GRESHAM's daughter, DENISE, was graduated from South Shore High school. Mr. and Mrs. U. JONES had two graduates in their family, their daughters, DEBRA, from high school, and SONJA, from Kella Grammar school...It seems we are having a lot of accidents like hitting people as we are making a turn. So keep those eyes peeled, you guys. Remember, accidents don't happen. They are caused.

- Amos Foster & Elcosie Gresham

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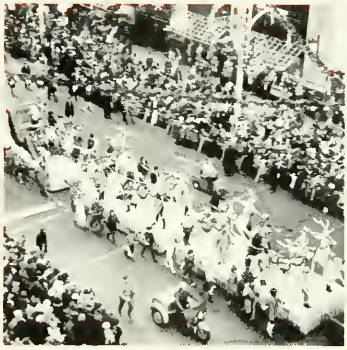

RECENTLY QUALIFYING as surface system garage instructors are the five trainees pictured here who underwent training and have entered the instructor's pool for assignment as needed. Shown with Shops & Equipment Department supervisory personnel, from left to right, they are: A. Fiorito, senior surface instructor; J. J. Repplinger, supervisor of surface shops and garages; Norbert Koscienski; Nick Andrews; L. G. Anderson, superintendent of shops and equipment (who has since retired); G. Brunson; J. Lowder; K. Polon, and G. J. Clark, acting superintendent of shops and equipment (who has since been named superintendent of S & E).

Beverly Operator Cited by Army

A BUS operator who recently returned to CTA after serving for two years in the U.S. Army is Beverly Station Operator Stephen J. Conway. While stationed in Vietnam with the 1st Batallion of the 27th Infantry, his company came under an intense enemy attack while on a combat operation. With complete disregard for his own safety, Conway exposed himself to heavy enemy fire while he moved to a more advantageous position where he effectively adjusted artillery fire on the enemy. For his valorous actions which contributed immeasurably to the defeat of the enemy force, he was awarded the Army Commendation Medal with a "V". During December, 1968, Conway also received a Purple Heart for wounds received in connection with military operations against the enemy. Before entering the army in 1967 he had served as a bus operator for more than a year after coming to CTA in February, 1966.

RECENT CTA ADDITIONS TO THE ARMED FORCES

BROWN, I., Serviceman, North Avenue
COSTLEY, L. J. Jr., Repairer, Limits
CRUMBLY, B., Conductor, 61st Street
FERGUS, R. K., Repairer, North Avenue
GRICE, W. L., Operator, Limits
HOPE, W. Jr., Repairer, Kedzie
KOVACS, N. G., Operator, North Park
LAMONT, R. A., Trackman, Engineering
MASCHERI, F. M., Serviceman, Kedzie
MILLS, C. T., Repairer, North Avenue
MIRANDA, M. Jr., Operator, North Park
PUGH, L., Operator, North Avenue
RAPP, T. W., Collector, West Section
ROLLAND, R. J., Operator, Beverly
SMITH, A., Repairer, North Avenue
STEWART, R. I., Serviceman, 69th Street
STROZEWSKI, K. W., Serviceman, 77th Street
STROZEWSKI, M., Clerk, South Shops

RECENTLY RETURNED

ASKEW, J. E. Jr., Serviceman, 77th Street
BAUGHN, R. L., Repairer, Beverly
BUBAN, L. J., Serviceman, 77th Street
CURRAN, R. M., Serviceman, 61st Street
GARY, L. C., Operator, Kedzie
GRAY, E. L., Operator, North Avenue
GRIFFIN, J. E., Serviceman, 77th Street
HAGEN, G. J., Serviceman, North Avenue
HEALY, D. M., Security Officer, Security
HIGGINS, F. J., Serviceman, 69th Street
HUNIGAN, C. Jr., Operator, Keeler
JOHNSON, G. R., Serviceman, Forest Glen
JOHNSON, J. L., Serviceman, Forest Glen
KING, S. T., Operator, Kedzie
MOORE, C. V., Operator, Limits
PHELPS, E. P., Operator, 77th Street
REDD, R. C., Conductor, North Section
SCHMID, W. F., Repairman, Wilson
SHORT, T. L., Serviceman, 77th Street
SMITH, B., Repairman, Wilson
SNIEZEWSKI, J. R., Serviceman, North Avenue
STOKES, P. L., Operator, Kedzie
WILLIAMSON, M. L., Operator, North Park

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Riders Readily Adapt to Exact Fare

OWING TO an extensive publicity program and excellent news coverage, CTA's Exact Fare Plan was a success from the first day it went into effect.

The November 9 start of the Plan on certain bus routes was announced by Chairman George L. DeMent of Chicago Transit Board at a special press conference on Thursday, October 30. Appearing with Mr. DeMent (see picture above) before representatives of each of the daily newspapers, major TV stations, and several radio stations was Warren Scholl, president and business agent of Division 241 of the Amalgamated Transit Union.

The Exact Fare Plan for fare collection is designed to halt robberies and assaults of bus drivers and to give safer and faster service to CTA riders. The Plan is being put into effect as a requirement of the 1968 contract with Division 241.

To fully inform the public of the change in fare-paying procedures, on Wednesday, November 5, announcements were posted in all CTA buses, a distribution of leaflets was made to passengers, and advertisements appeared in all four Chicago daily newspapers. Spot announcements were repeatedly made on two radio stations during the week and on Saturday, November 8, ads in each of the daily newspapers announced the first bus routes on which exact fare would be required.

Affected by the initial phase of the Exact Fare Plan on Sunday, November 9, were 28 bus routes operating from the Kedzie and Archer Stations. Three weekday downtown shuttle bus routes were also partially affected because certain Kedzie station buses operate in these services. All 608 buses from the two stations (about 20 per cent of CTA's 3,100-bus fleet) were equipped with exact fare boxes of the Johnson type.

On the following Sunday, November 16, 23 additional bus routes became exact fare lines when the 571 buses at the 77th Street and Limits Stations were equipped with Johnson fare boxes. In all, 54 bus routes were operating in exact fare service by the 16th, including the three shuttle routes which were now entirely served by exact fare buses.

With the third phase of the exact fare plan completed on Sunday, November 30, 22 more bus routes underwent the shift. With exact fare being required on 76 bus routes, 60 per cent of CTA's 128 routes were affected by the new fare-paying procedures. Starting service on the 30th were buses from the 52nd Street, North Park, and North Avenue Stations. All 331 buses at North Park received Johnson fare boxes and all 129 buses at 52nd Street received new Duncan fare boxes. Also receiving new Duncan equipment were the 30 buses at North Avenue Station which are the mainstay of service on the Lake Street route.

All buses on which exact fare is required are identified by red & black signs on the front, beside the entrance door, and on the fare box. Riders boarding an exact fare bus must have exact change, a token, or a combination of both. Bus operators carry no money or tokens and do not make change or have access to money in the fare box.

A passenger boarding a bus without the exact fare may pay his fare by depositing any amount from 50¢ to $5 and then receive a refund slip for the difference. In these cases, the amounts of the fare and the overpayment will be recorded on the refund slip and on an envelope. The fare plus the overpayment will be placed in the envelope and then deposited in the locked fare box. Both will be coded with identical serial numbers for verification when collecting the overpayment. The refund slip may be redeemed after 5 days but not later than 60 days at any one of 22 CTA locations--surface operating stations, rapid transit terminal offices, and the cashier's office in the Merchandise Mart.

Sharp-Witted Suggesters Win $965 in Cash Awards

TAKING A big piece of the pie, Shops & Equipment Department employes won suggestion awards of $615 out of the total $965 recently awarded. This is especially significant this month, as it was 25 years ago in November, 1944, that the first suggestion system came to the Shops Department of the former Chicago Surface Lines.

Since then, the suggestion plan has been expanded system-wide for all employes (October 1, 1952) and the anonymous suggestion system has become effective (September 1, 1965) providing awards of up to $10,000 for adopted suggestions.

CTA management believes the suggestion plan is important to the company, and encourages active participation by employes. Not all ideas submitted are adopted, but when an employe sees one of his suggestions used by the company, he can be rightly proud of having taken the initiative to display his inventiveness.

Submitting suggestions is certainly not part of one's job responsibility, nor is it mandatory at CTA. Rather, it represents the efforts of employes to continually improve existing methods of "getting a job done," and as an added incentive each employe submitting an adoptable suggestion earns an award.

But that's only part of the suggestion plan story. Of equal importance is the role played by management in giving the plan its full support. No suggestion is too small—every idea is investigated to determine if it represents a better, more efficient way of doing a job, or making an improvement. Every effort is made to process suggestions in the shortest possible time and most are answered within 60 days from the date of receipt. When they are held for longer periods, it is usually because of the amount of analysis, estimating, and testing that is required.

To follow the status of your suggestion look on the suggestion bulletin board where you work. Awards, rejections, ideas still under consideration, and suggestions received weekly are listed on these boards.

THE NEXT 500 CTA employes submitting a suggestion--whether or not the idea is adopted--will receive a key chain commemorating the 25th anniversary of the suggestion system. Send in your suggestion TODAY!

AS ONE of his last official acts before retiring November 1, Superintendent of Shops and Equipment L. G. Anderson presented a suggestion award of $345 to South Shops Machinist Alexander F. Andrulis.

Among the most recent award winners announced are the 13 CTA'ers sharing the $965. Heading the winners' list is Alexander F. Andrulis, South Shops, who won $345. Other cash winners include Edward Bartkus of South Shops with $125, Henry C. Peterson of South Shops with $75, Regina H. Daren of Medical Department with $70, Ronald Jareckas of South Shops with $60, Rodney R. Rusakiewicz of Stores Department with $60, Zita J. Gyuricza of Purchasing Department with $45, Joseph E. Sarnecki of South Shops with $45, and Frederick P. Dechon of South Shops with $40. Winning awards of $25 each were Regina H. Daren of Medical Department, Patrick J. Nally of South Shops, Maurice F. O'Connor of South Shops, and Rita L. Wantroba of Medical Department.

Having their choice of a $7 gift certificate or a Zippo lighter/tape rule, the following CTA'ers were named honorable mention award winners for submitting a suggestion that was adopted: Shops & Equipment—Carlo Addalia, North Avenue; John Goldenstern, South Shops; Dave Guereca, Skokie Shops; Max R. Kuchan Jr., South Shops, and Donald A. Poole, Beverly. Engineering—Michael Brticevich, Building; Edward D. Gertz, South Shops, and Anthony Raimondi, West Shops. General Office—Regina H. Daren, Medical; Darlene Jansen, Purchasing, and William H. Vigus, Engineering. Electrical—Gerald Christensen, Various, and William F. Glassner, Blue Island. Stores Department—Paul C. Jankowski, Skokie Shops. Transportation—William Harris, 77th Street.

1,004 Named 'Employes of the Year' for 1968-69

SINCE 1964, about 1,000 operating employes have been selected each year as "Employes of the Year."

Those chosen for the honor are singled out as employes who are doing a fine job. Their selection by station superintendents is made after a review of each employe's work and accident records. Eligible employes include bus operators and rapid transit motormen, conductors, and ticket agents.

CTA management is proud of its ranks of "Employes of the Year," as personnel of this caliber make good ambassadors in the eyes of the riding public and improve CTA's image.

During the 12-month period from June 1, 1968, through May 31, 1969, a total of 1,004 "Employes of the Year" were named. Many employes have been chosen for two or more years--70 have an unbroken string of six consecutive years.

Listed here for each of the operating locations are the number of "Employes of the Year" selected for 1968-69 and the names of each of the employes who have attained the status for 6 consecutive years.

Location	1968-69 "Employes of the Year"	"Employes of the Year" for 6 Consecutive Years
Surface System		
Archer Station	55	A. Bober, R. Jankowski, J. Winters
Beverly Station	54	W. Barowsky, L. Borrmann, J. Campbell, F. Grajek, J. King, E. Kisman, H. Norton
Forest Glen Station	64	J. Fiesterman, T. Galus, F. Jacobson, M. Kompanowski, T. Peterson
Kedzie Station	27	H. Lindberg, F. Mussato, J. Stack
Keeler Station	28	W. Dabrowski, T. Pyzyna
Lawndale Station	32	F. Dvorak, J. Kalka, W. Klecka, S. Labanowski, C. Sandrick, O. Tork
Limits Station	47	P. Cronin, H. Miller, G. Petrus
North Avenue Station	64	W. Baran, J. Cabay, R. Kusek
North Park Station	52	P. Cook, H. Osowski, C. Schoewer
52nd Street Station	15	W. Burns, H. Ringo
69th Street Station	93	W. Cavanaugh, M. Collins
77th Street Station	62	H. Hanson, R. Howard, E. Peterson, H. Walsh
Rapid Transit System		
West Section	220	D. Parker, J. Kelly
North Section	81	T. Abbinanti, D. L. Barthen, D. V. Barthen, E. Gillespie, H. Staats
South Section	110	M. Bitterlin, A. Delcorse, C. Frank, A. Grant, I. Huerta, M. Klumpp, H. LaFaire, R. Lovell, W. Bell, R. Butler, J. Danek, C. Fischer, T. Hughes, A. Jagla, W. Jogerst, J. Moss, S. Pollock, G. Ross, J. Wacker, C. White

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin,
CTA Medical Consultant

OUR LIVER--

The magic chemical plant of the human body

THE LARGEST single organ of the human body is the liver. It weighs 3 to 3½ pounds, or about one fourtieth of the total body weight. Because of its multiple (500 in all), diverse, and vital functions, it is easy to understand why the ancients regarded it as the seat of the soul. This most amazing and dazzling of all chemical plants is located under the lower front ribs on the right side of the body.

This filter, converter, storehouse, and producer does more jobs than any organ or group of organs in the human body.

Just recently it has been shown in several cases that where surgery was necessary to remove 80 per cent of the right lobe of the liver due to injury, it was possible for the liver to regrow or regenerate itself in about three months.

Among the many jobs the liver performs are: detoxifier, producer of bile and other chemicals, converter of food elements, salvager of blood parts, digestor of fats, and a storage bin for vitamins, sugar and bile. In fact, most anything that affects or influences our general health also affects the liver. In a twinkling, it performs chemical magic far beyond the scope of the most gifted researchers. For example when we walk up a flight of stairs, our muscles need more fuel to burn to produce energy. Silently and efficiently the liver takes care of this need immediately.

At all times the liver keeps a 24 hour supply of glycogen (sugar) or starch. Part of this is converted into glucose which is fuel for muscle action. Each second, 10 million red blood cells die and these must be disposed of. The spleen breaks them down and then the liver helps salvage the components. Iron, for example, is saved for reuse in building new blood cells, while other by-products go into the manufacture of digestive juices and other body needs. Another very important function is the production of bile which aids in digestion especially of fats. If it were not for the production of prothrombin, a component of the blood to make it clot, one would die from hemorrhage even from the slightest scratch. About 1½ quarts of blood flow through the liver every minute. The liver has many functions related to the chemistry and metabolism of the body. Some of them are still poorly understood. However, we know they are vital to life.

To filter and detoxify is one of the most important jobs. The liver detoxifies everything we eat or drink, even our cocktails. Some times certain people overburden the liver with improper diet and too much alcohol. The result is cirrhosis of the liver.

Some of the more common diseases of the liver are: cirrhosis, hepatitis, atrophy, liver absesses, cysts, benign and malignant (cancerous) tumors, and chemical poisoning affecting the liver. The liver is apt to be the seat of metastatic disease as a result of cancer of the breast, lungs, bones, or gastrointestinal tract. Jaundice, considered by some as a liver disease, is really a symptom of liver trouble and not a disease. How is a patient to know when liver disease is present? In early mild cases of liver disease it is very difficult to realize what the trouble is. However, in typical cases some of the following symptoms are noted: slight fever, loss of appetite, general malaise, fatigue, headache, chilliness, nausea, vomiting, itching skin, yellowish color of the eyeballs (jaundice), dark urine, light stools, constipation or diarrhea, and sometimes a vague feeling of discomfort in the upper abdomen. The foregoing symptoms plus certain liver function tests, blood chemistry, liver scaning, and liver biopsy ordered by your physician will usually clinch the diagnosis.

The treatment of liver disease may be summed up in the following way: preventive treatment is very important especially in the infectous types of liver disease and cirrhosis. In other words, avoiding tainted foods, contaminated water, certain toxic drugs, and the excessive use of alcohol plays an important part in the prevention of liver disease. After the disease is well established, satisfactory treatment is difficult and the results questionable. Keeping the blood count is essential in cases where anemia is present. A proper diet, regardless of the cause and type of disease is very beneficial. This means a diet rich in proteins, carbohydrates and "B" vitamins, but low in fats and alcohol.

For the most part, surgery on the liver in the past has offered no hope. However, surgery is now looked upon as a future hope for better functioning of the liver.

The purpose of this article is to alert you with the symptoms of liver disease. If you suspect trouble then you should contact your family doctor without delay.

L. G. Anderson Retires After 25 Years in Shops Department

AFTER SERVING in the Shops & Equipment Department of CTA and the former Chicago Surface Lines for more than 25 years, L. G. Anderson retired on November 1 as superintendent of that department.

Mr. Anderson joined the CSL as superintendent of shops on June 5, 1944, after serving for 12 years in an engineering capacity at the shops of another local transit company, Indianapolis Railways. With the purchase of transit properties by CTA in 1947 he was named engineer of equipment and in 1951 he was appointed superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals. Mr. Anderson became superintendent of shops & equipment in June, 1963, the position he held until the time of his retirement.

Mr. Anderson was graduated from Ohio State university with a B.S. degree in electrical engineering and is a registered professional engineer. During his transit career he has served on committees of several organizations representing the industry, the American Transit Association and the Central Transit Equipment Association.

A retirement dinner for Mr. Anderson at the Peacock Room, 6146 W. Cermak road, was attended by 185 friends and co-workers. Among those present was General Manager T. B. O'Connor, who is pictured above congratulating Mr. Anderson upon the completion of his transit career.

NEW APPOINTMENTS

G. J. Clark Becomes S&E Superintendent — Six Others Advance in Shops, Equipment Research

G. J. Clark

SEVEN APPOINTMENTS affecting personnel in the Shops & Equipment and Equipment Research & Development Departments were announced recently.

Named to new positions effective November 1 were G. J. Clark, who became superintendent of shops & equipment, and C. W. Ricker Jr., who became chief equipment engineer. The appointments were made by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser and approved by General Manager T. B. O'Connor.

Assuming new positions in Equipment Research and Development effective November 1 were F. J. Cihak, who became superintendent of technical services, and R. M. Schneider, who was appointed superintendent of technical services - surface division. The appointments were made by C. W. Ricker Jr., chief equipment engineer, and approved by C. E. Keiser, operating manager.

In additional assignments affecting Shops & Equipment Department personnel, three promotions to the position of relief foreman were announced effective September 14, as follows: Alvin Hubbard became relief foreman at Beverly garage, J. E. Atkins became relief foreman at Lawndale garage, and W. Cooper became relief foreman at Kedzie garage. The appointments were made by J. W. Dain, superintendent of garages, and approved by J. J. Repplinger, superintendent of surface system shops and garages, and L. G. Anderson, superintendent of shops & equipment.

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ACCOUNTING (Tabulating) -

CARMELLA PETRELLA journeyed to New York for her vacation where the rainy weather did not dampen her enthusiasm for all that the number 1 city has to offer tourists. ..MARGARET DORGAN spent part of her vacation at the Abbey in Fontana, Wisconsin, enjoying that lovely swimming pool. Nice tan, Marge...PAULINE TORREY spent her vacation with short trips in our great Chicago vacationland. Her tan came from sunning in her back yard. That's good too, Pauline. . .MARIAN BUCKLEY drove to Southern Indiana--the famed Brown County, Springfield, and Clifty Falls in Madison which overlooks the Ohio river. The weather was nice and the scenery beautiful. What more do you want?..EMIL RUSINAK also spent his vacation in the Chicago area. His son, GARY, was home on furlough from Viet Nam and the two of them took in a couple of ball games...Another Chicago vacationer was JOHN ECKEL. John reports that the weather was delightful and he and his family enjoyed visits to Lincoln Park Zoo and also attended a couple of ball games...Your scribe also spent a very short week at home enjoying Chicago.

- Evelyn Leu

(General, Material & Supplies) -

The annual reporter's dinner on September 12 was a very beautiful affair and the dinner was enjoyed by all. The speakers, GEORGE DeMENT, F. C. KNAUTZ, and BOB HEINLEIN were delightful. Bob introduced all the reporters individually. The scribes received a gift, a book called "Heirlooms" which was appreciated...PHYLLIS WHITE and a niece flew to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. They rented a car and drove to West Palm Beach and visited the Lion Country Safari. All the wild animals roam the area and they drove through. One lioness decided she did not like the car and she chased it. They then went on to Miami and entered the Sea Aquarium and saw Flipper. The Queen Elizabeth was docked in Ft. Lauderdale and they took a tour on the ship. They were amazed at how beautiful the staterooms were and that some people travelled across the ocean in these rooms at $3,000 one-way for a four and one-half day trip... We heard from Pensioner BENJAMIN RATNER, formerly in Accounts Payable, who is doing well after his illness and wishes to be remembered by all...CRAIG CAMPBELL, formerly from Accounting, is on military leave and dropped by the office on October 3 to say hello to his many friends. He was on furlough for two weeks before embarking for Viet Nam...Our sympathy and condolences go to LYDIA HAEMKER on the death of her brother, WALTER CLAUSING, who died after an airline crash...RITA DEAKIN joined the CTA traveling group for a visit to Portugal, Spain, and Morocco. The weather was perfect, the company was great, and the food was delicious. Portugal was the most picturesque. Spain had the best food and beautiful coastal areas. The most delightful memory was the evening in Tangier, Morocco, when our friend, JOE, danced with the belly dancers. Our thanks to JANE MITCHELL for making this beautiful trip possible.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

THE LAWNDALE column has appeared regularly in Transit News since June, 1966, when Larry Keating joined the staff of Inside News reporters to serve as scribe for that surface system operating station. Lawndale does not appear in this issue, however, and it is with deep regret that we must report the passing of Mr. Keating.

Larry Keating

A 32-year transit employe, Mr. Keating began his career with the Surface Lines on March 24, 1937, as a streetcar conductor at Kedzie station. During World War II he served in the U.S. Army and following his discharge in January, 1946, he returned to Kedzie. Mr. Keating qualified as a bus operator and went to Blue Island Station in 1952. When Blue Island closed in 1955 he was transferred to Lawndale Station.

Mr. Keating was among the group of Inside News reporters honored by CTA management at a dinner on September 12. The picture taken that evening was probably the last or one of the last showing him before his untimely demise on October 5.

In addition to his widow, Louise, Mr. Keating is survived by a son, Frank, a daughter, Phyllis, and his mother, Nan. To his family, the Transit News staff and his fellow Inside News reporters extend their deepest sympathy.

BEVERLY -

Clerk BILL MURPHY won the golf trophy at Glenn Eagles country club. We had a wonderful time and Bill was coached all the way through by our foursome consisting of K. C. Brothers Grand Knight JOE DENNESIATES, Past Grand Knight BILL MARSH, and your scribe...Received cards from Pensioners DAN CAREW and JOHN MALONEY who are visiting the "old sod" and sampling the Irish Mist, along with the warm beer...Thanks to Father Michael Foran for the Notre Dame football tickets throughout the season. We also wish to thank all the men who purchased tickets which help support the Holy Cross Mission at Notre Dame. There is only one Father Mike, and we know how he remembers all the CTA men in his prayers...Glad to see Operator FRANK BLACK back to work after his short illness...We express our sympathy to the families of the following: Union Steward JOHN KING on the loss of his brother, DAN KING, Instructor JOHN LUCAS who passed away, BILL LEWIS whose mother died, and to Pensioner JOHN HOGAN who was called to his eternal reward...We are glad to see Supervisor FRANK McGLYNN back at the terminals. We need experienced men on the street who know what to do when a delay comes along, especially during the hectic

winter months ahead. Keep up the good work, Frank, and we'll try to get by without your cheerful hello on the telephone...Welcome to all the new men and the operators from 77th. We are always glad to help a new man, so don't be afraid to ask the "old timers." It's a lot easier then filling out accident reports.

- Tom Daniels

CLAIM -

JILL HICKEY, the daughter of JIM HICKEY, recently won a non-running prize in the Irish Sweepstakes. TIM O'ROURKE, also of the Claim Department, won a seller's prize. I wonder what the prize would be if they had a Polish Sweepstakes?..We are sorry to say that after 29 years in the Claim Department JEANNE LUDMANN abandoned us for the Treasury Department. We all wish her the best... Welcome to MARIE MALINOWSKI who joined our group on October 13. Congratulations are also in order for Marie who recently became engaged to THOMAS CRAWLEY. Best wishes and all things good for the future...Thank goodness LEO TREFF, retired adjuster, is out of the hospital. We saw him a few days ago and it's great to see he is still his usual smiling self...Good luck to MARY ANN JAGODZINSKI who recently was transferred to the Executive Offices.

- Ruth Kaminski

CONGRESS (Agents) -

My thanks to Board Chairman G. L. DeMENT and General Manager T. B. O'CONNOR for their kind invitation to the annual Transit News Reporter's dinner which was held at the M&M Club. It is one of the ways they show their appreciation for helping them in our small way and that everybody is somebody and they do care...This year the semi-annual Little Flower breakfast was held at St. Pat's. It is one of those nice times when old friends meet... CLAUDE and JUNE KINARD are settled in their new home in Wheaton, Maryland, which is a suburb of Washington, D.C. Every once in a while Claude had the opportunity to come to Chicago. We are sorry to report that at present, Claude is convalescing in Passavant hospital in Chicago... Switchman DANNY BORE caught some big ones in Wauconda, but what happened to the pictures of the catch?..JOHN W. PARNELL, trackman, retired on October 1 after 27 years of service. John and his wife, ARDALIA, are now living in the State of Washington, not far from Vancouver, on a cattle ranch. John planned to go to college for a course in chemistry and salesmanship...Agents BERNADETTE HAYES and WILBUR STRASSER, and Porter WILLIAM RILEY are on the sick list. Although they may be off for some time, we are happy to hear that they are doing well. . .A great big welcome back to Agent CHARLES SCHNEIDER, Switchman JAMES NASTI, and Clerk EDWARD ADAMS. After what they have been through, the alarm clock sounds like the Bells of St. Mary to them... Agent DORIS JOHNSON had five memorable days visiting friends in Memphis, Tennessee...Agent DOROTHY OATES had so much fun visiting with her cousin in Washington, D.C., she plans to do it again in the near future...S. BANALS went to Cape Canaveral, Florida, to visit his son. While there, he had the opportunity of seeing how a capsule is put into position and meeting the next group to go up...Agent WALTER STASULAS and his wife, CHARLOTTE, celebrated his birthday by going on a trip to Canada. Charlotte's hobby is painting, so she took a lot of scenic snapshots which she plans to do in oil during the long winter months...Agent CHARLES NORTH's son, CHARLES, a summer student agent now attending Western Illinois college in Macomb, wrote and told his dad that he is president of Tonner Hall which means a lot of extra work...Agent FAY CAPRIO celebrated her birthday on October 14 at a luncheon with friends, and her family had a birthday party for her on October 11. It was like Christmas in October... Trainman F. YAPPELLI retired after 43 years of service. The men at 54th Avenue had a pension party for him on October 9. It was a beautiful fall day and there was a good turnout of pensioners...Our deepest sympathy to the family of LARRY KEATING of Lawndale Station for whom services were held on October 9...Congress Clerk FREEMAN is doing his civic duty this week. He was called for jury duty. ..Agent MARY DOYLE celebrated her birthday on October 13. She and her brother, PAT, went out for dinner...Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM B. HILLER announced the marriage of their daughter, CANDACE, to Mr. DENNIS J. POSLUZNY on October 4 at St. Peter and Paul church. A reception followed at Georgis Banquet room, 6339 S. Central avenue.

- Julia Brousek

CELEBRATING THEIR 50th wedding anniversary on September 27 were Mr. and Mrs. **JOSEPH FERRUZZA.** Attending the mass at St. Celestine Catholic church was the original wedding party. Joseph retired in 1959 as a trackman in the Ways and Structures Department.

ELECTRICAL (Blue Island) -

Received a card from recent Pensioner ARVIN B. WILMONT who has moved to Florida. He and his wife are busy getting settled in their new home...We appreciate the cards from friends that are vacationing. BILL McDONALD, while touring the west visited Las Vegas, Bryce Canyon National park, and Zion National park...JOHN FINLEY mailed a card to us from Knott's Berry Farm in Buena Park, California. He said he was living it up in a ghost town...AMOS SMITH visited an iron ore mine in Tower-Soudan State park. He found Minnesota is wonderful for fishing, also...According to JOHN DARCY, Hawaii lives up to the claims of the travel folders, one of the most beautiful spots in the world. He had the opportunity to watch the eruption of a volcano while he was there...GILBERT ANDREWS and his wife, HARRIET, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with a party at their church. About 100 relatives and friends attended the party which was a complete surprise. They are still celebrating while on a trip to Virginia and Washington, D.C... Our sympathy is extended to the family of Pensioner AIDEN KENNY who passed away in Florida. Our deepest sympathy to JAMES MURPHY whose mother, MARY MURPHY, was

laid to rest the first week of October. We would also like to offer a word of sympathy to VERNON KEE whose father passed away...Cards or calls would be appreciated by friends that are away from work because of illness. Out sick at this time are L. DONAFRIO, N. WALLACE, J. McDONALD, R. PRIESBE, A. McDERMOTT, and W. HOOVER...Pensioner DOUGLAS MADDOX is ill and would like to hear from his friends at Blue Island. His address is Manor Pines Nursing Home, 1701 N.E. 26th Street, Wilton Manors, Florida 33305...Congratulations to SAMUEL COLE who is a grandpa again. GLENN and CHARLENE COLE are the proud parents of JEFFERY ERIC born on August 28...We extend a most hearty welcome to U. FUNGCAP, A. ARONSON, I. ROSS, R. RYCHLEE, and G. WHITESIDE who recently joined the Electrical Department. A happy birthday to the following who celebrated their birthdays in September: T. JENNINGS, A. McDERMOTT, M. WILKIEL, F. CZANSTKOWSKI, P. MALONE, C. PARK, F. WOJCIK, and C. COURSEY. Those who had birthdays in October were: J. WIESOLEK, N. ROLNICKI, F. GRIFFIN, J. HOFFERT, D. GARDNER, J. ZALUD, and C. MULBRANDON. Best wishes to all of you...The General Office picnic on September 21 was an overwhelming success. The weather was perfect. Games for the children filled most of the afternoon. The committee, GEORGE CHRISTIANSEN, LEROY KUTCHINS, SANDY CLAUSEN, and WILLIAM REHDER appreciate and would like to thank BOB BOOTH and MIKE RICKSON for the fine job they did in helping to organize the picnic. There were races, shoe matching contests, balloon breaking, and horseshoes. The baseball game was better than the World Series (don't remember who won). Watch this column for the picnic date in 1970, and we promise you will have an enjoyable day...Best wishes for many happy and healthy years of retirement to FLORIAN CZANSTKOWSKI and FRANK CORRIGAN...Late news flash--yours truly is a grandpa again for the seventh time. A lovely little girl was born to CHARLES and RHONDA LINDLEY on October 8 at Tampa, Florida.

- William Rehder

(General Office) -

September was a good month for baby boys. On September 1, RONALD GENE was born to DONNA and RONALD KAMINSKI. Donna was formerly a stenographer and Transit News scribe for the department. TIMOTHY PATRICK arrived on September 18 and is the son of SANDY and WALTER MOORE, testing engineer. Timmie was welcomed by his sister, KIM, who is nine years old, and his brother, TOMMIE, 19 months old. Congratulations to the happy parents of the little ones...WAYNE TOSH and MICHAELETTE VALKENBURG were married on October 4 at St. Peter and Paul church in Naperville. Following a reception at the Spinning Wheel, they drove to Niagara Falls to spend their honeymoon. Wayne, a "B" helper at Blue Island, is the son of JOAN and DEL TOSH, chief power supervisor. Best wishes for the future...MARGARET KINSEY is home recovering from eye surgery. Glad to hear you are improving rapidly, Marge...Pensioner AL MORF visited us recently and he says his grandson, BRIAN, age two, is really the greatest. Grandpa has every right to be proud of this little guy...We extend our sympathy to Pensioner BURT ENGBERG. His mother, HILMA ENGBERG, passed away on August 25...HERMAN SMITH and his family vacationed at Kentucky Lake where they enjoyed boating, fishing, and water skiing. Ah! Summertime...TED SZEWC and his wife and daughters drove to Phoenix, Arizona, to visit relatives. They also spent an entire day at Disneyland and a few days at Las Vegas. Ted reports all three weeks were wonderful...BERNADETTE KIZIOR flew to Portugal where she visited the Shrine of Fatima. At the Cathedral in Toledo she saw the Monstrance that houses the world-famous gold and jewels. Tangier, Morocco, was the next stop. From there she went by Ferry to Malaga on the Costa Del Sol. Bern spent some time in Torremolinos, a famous resort city, and played golf between the Mediterranean and Sierra Nevada Mountains. Next was the drive through the Andalucion cities of Algeciras, Seville, Cadiz, Cordoba, and Granada. She then flew to the industrial city of Barcelona and to beautiful Mallorca, home of the famous pearl. Onward to London and then home with wonderful memories to last a life time of Alamenca, Castanets, and Paella.

- Kay McAlister

TAKING HIS pension after more than 40 years of service is Supervisor of Security MANLEY M. HOWE (center), pictured here with NORMAN N. GRAVER (left), assistant superintendent of Security, and ROBERT H. MILLER, chief of security. He was presented with an engraved nickel plated .38 revolver, a lifetime membership in the Illinois Police Association, a retirement star, and a key chain-money clip.

ENGINEERING -

FRED PETRINO, road clerk, took a week of his vacation and made every minute worthwhile. He spent two days in Las Vegas. After he collected his tons of dough, he decided to travel on to Florida and the Bahamas for a few more days. On his way home he stopped in Wisconsin and spent some time there, too. I'll bet settling down on the job after that exciting week wasn't too easy...YOLENE CLAUDE, clerk-typist, will be leaving our department to join the South Shops as a typist I. We all want to wish her much luck and happiness...Our condolences are sent to CHESTER (Rusty) RUSAKIEWICZ who lost his father on August 26... JOE URBASZEWSKI and his wife spent two weeks driving through the mountains and visiting 15 western states. They visited sights like the Grand Canyon, Black Hills, and Yellowstone National park. All totaled, they traveled 5,300 miles. Among their various activities, they rode in a whirlybird and did some horseback riding. While driving along, they had an unexpected experience. The road they were on came to an end as it was completely washed out. However, they managed to surpass that difficulty and we're all glad to see Joe back safe and sound...LINDA LeMONNIER and her husband traveled to Canada on their vacation. First stop was Sault Sainte Marie, then Ottawa and Montreal where they saw the "Man and His World" (Expo). Then off they went to Toronto and Niagara Falls. They returned

THIS BEAUTIFUL young lady is GLORIA NEWMAN, the daughter of Conductor ARTHUR NEWMAN, West Section, who was the recipient of a state grant and a scholarship to MacMurray college. Gloria worked in the Insurance Department during the summer months.

home for a couple of days and decided to take a plane ride to St. Louis. While in Canada, they missed the Expos' ball game because they were playing out of town and it just happened that they were playing in St. Louis when LINDA and BILL arrived. As it turned out, they caught every bit of action...Your scribe, CAROL RADMAN, just returned from Mexico and had a very enjoyable time. In Mexico City she visited the Pyramids, Floating Gardens, Folkloric Ballet, Shrine of Guadalupe, and last of all, the exciting bullfights. Then a long drive through the mountains to Cuernavaca, Taxco, and Acapulco. I'm sure she'll have a long-lived memory of all the exciting events and adventures--to say nothing of her excruciating sunburn!..JACK O'REILLY and his wife, EILEEN, and son, TOM, accompanied by his wife's sister, ELEANOR, and husband, FRAN RADKE, who did a beautiful job of chauffeuring, guided by Jack's magnificent map reading, motored down the turnpikes to Wilmington, Delaware, and Ocean City visiting nieces and their families, with many side trips. They enjoyed a two-day tour of Washington, D.C. Jack caught a shark in Indian River Bay just off the Atlantic Ocean while guests of their niece, MARY LOU, and ED SZMANSKI and their family. They also caught plenty of flounder and blow fish. This fact can be confirmed by non-believers by calling an astonished witness, his brother-in-law, Fran, at CO 1-6814. Their three-week trip covered Indiana, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Washington, D.C., and a visit with another niece, MARY ELLEN, and MIKE LOVETT and their family on a 10-acre farm in the heart of Cincinnati--a real oddity seeing cows, rabbits, etc., being raised in the heart of a city. In Wilmington, they dined and tried their luck at Brandywine race track as guests of a nephew, FRED HARTMANN, Metropolitan Editor of Wilmington's daily paper, and his wife, MARY LOU, later touring the many philanthropic enterprises of the DuPont family. . .The Engineering Department welcomes DIANE RITROVATO who replaced YOLENNE CLAUDE as clerk-typist...Your Co-reporter, CAROL RADMAN, is recuperating at home after surgery on her left knee.

(West Shops) -

JIM SINCLAIR, bricklayer foreman, recently celebrated his 42nd wedding anniversary. He took his wife to dinner and a show at the Martinique and Drury Lane...There are two new retirees as of November 1: Bricklayer MARSHALL FOSTER, who has worked for the company 32 years, and CHARLEY POLICH, frog shop, who has worked for the company 44 years. The best of luck and happiness to these fellows...We have a newcomer in the office who is in the Track Department. A very warm welcome to Track Foreman CHARLIE DUNKIN. West Shops is glad to have you aboard...Our sincere condolences to LEE ANDERSON, carpenter foreman, whose mother passed away recently...GINNY SCOTT, West Shops, recently helped her daughter, ELEANOR, to celebrate her 21st birthday. They spent the evening at Berghoff's having dinner and then returned home where Ginny presented her daughter with a Beatle album... WEST SHOPS FLASH: What bricklayer is currently sporting a mustache that makes him look like Groucho Marx's twin brother?..Your reporter, MARY GALLON, would like to thank BOB HEINLEIN and his staff for giving the reporters a lovely evening at the M&M Club. The dinner was superb and Board Chairman GEORGE DeMENT's after-dinner speech was certainly entertaining...I would also like to thank the persons responsible for selecting me to participate in the Dan Ryan transit line dedication. It was a joy to see the smiling faces and hear the nice things the passengers said about the new line. Our CTA teamwork was never more evident.

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

Serviceman GUS KUTA retired on September 1 from the repair department. This fine gentleman will make a trip to Michigan and then plans to make his home in Florida...Recently in the hospital was our fine friend EDDIE CHAPLISKI, but he is now back on the job and doing great. Chapliski is the gentleman who answers your phone at the end of the line. He is the only man who calls your run number and gives a very pleasant word. Glad to have you back, Eddie... Operator JOHN MAHNKE and his family spent their vacation in the Land O' Lakes, Wisconsin, getting in some fishing. In fact, this is John's first try at fishing and boy did he and his son, ROGER, enjoy it. He says this was the most relaxing vacation they have ever had. While on vacation he celebrated his (39th ???) birthday, August 22, his 28th anniversary with CTA, and his 13th wedding anniversary on September 1. RUTH, I have to give you credit for all these years--at least you have kept old John on the ball...A fine and outstanding gentleman is CHRIST PANTOS, who recently enjoyed a few days in St. Louis. Christ has a hobby of model trains, and will have a set soon that will be really worth seeing. His basement is becoming filled, but his family doesn't complain. They at least know where the old boy is at nights...THOMAS MEAGHER and his family flew to Texas to visit his two brothers who are priests. They took a trip to Mexico where they took a bus ride. Tom says they could never compare to our system. While in Texas, they also visited the Astrodome...Never go out golfing with TOM VELANCIA if you use a motor cart. It seems Tom loves to run the carts into trees. At a recent outing, he started up the cart and over went a lovely tree. In fact, he almost ran over Mr. PANTOS who was alongside the cart. The next time this group went out, he hit a ball and what happened--he hit the golf cart. Maybe Tom should give up the motor carts and get a caddy...Operator BASGELL and his family toured the southern states on their vacation. They had the pleasure of visiting the Astrodome and taking in all the high spots. Basgell said they had tried vacation camping, trailer camping, and now touring. Many thanks, Basgell, for the nice pipe holder you brought back for yours truly...By the way, Supervisor "Sweet Lips" would like to know if LYMAN, DILLON, and GEORGE WICKMAN are

renting the pictures of all the fish they are supposed to be catching. All we ever see is pictures...On September 3, Operator and Mrs. MIKE KOMPANOWSKI became grandparents for the fourth time when a granddaughter, KAREN MARIE, was born weighing 7 pounds 5 ounces. According to Mike, she is a little beauty. On October 5, this fine couple also celebrated their 34th wedding anniversary. Here's hoping there will be many more happy years for this lovely couple...The parents of TOM "Tiny" ROAM celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 10. The best to this fine family--of course it includes old Tom... Operator TUCCY and his wife, ALICE, became grandparents again when a little girl, SUE ANN, was born to their daughter-in-law and son, NORMAN. Tuccy says there are now three boys and one girl. I guess grandpa is planning a large family for his son and daughter-in-law. Well leave it to Tuccy, he's always planning ahead...Operator WALTER BLIX is on the sick list. Seems as if Walter had some trouble with his heart. I think it is just love for his lovely wife. But anyway, Walter is now resting at home after a stay in the hospital and will have to take it easy for a few months. Blix loves to make model trains and is supposed to be a cracker-jack at it. So if any of you would like to call Walter, you can use the excuse of trains to talk to him...Operator RALPH JOHNSON was a very proud father when his son, JAMES L. JOHNSON, received his degree in veterinarian medicine from the University of Illinois. James is now a captain in the army medical corps. He was married to PATTIE PODGUS on August 30 and they will make their home in Washington, D.C., where he is now stationed...Seems like MARTHA ALSTERLUND has been having her problems due to a broken arm which doesn't want to heal properly. We are sorry to hear of your troubles, and AL is ever so worried. Maybe now you can get him to do more work around the house while you relax and take care of your arm...The McCANN family had a wonderful vacation in the Black Hills. They are now looking forward to next year's vacation so they can start relaxing again...Sanitary Engineer RAHN vacationed in Wisconsin and had a wonderful time...ELMER STOBART and his wife and son, RICHARD, flew to Tampa, Florida, for a vacation. After renting a car, they drove to their home in North Port Charlotte where they stayed for three days. Stobart reports very good fishing, right in their own back yard. They played golf at a course which was only two blocks away. The family then made a tour along the east coast of Florida, stopping at Miami to get a little sunshine and a better tan. The hurricane showed up making our friends head for home...Operator and Mrs. RUPERT CRABB announced the engagement of their daughter, GEORGINA, to JAMES NEWMAN. The wedding is planned for June 6, 1970. Georgina is a graduate of Elmwood High school and Northeastern Illinois university, and is presently working for Illinois Bell Telephone company. Her fiance is a graduate of Martinsville High school and is now a psychology major at Eastern Illinois university...Operator JOHN WALTHER has been flying for several years. Lately he has been taking up instrument instructions, and is now flying out of Palwaukee airport. John, maybe we can work out a deal for a fishing trip up north. How about it? Keep up the good work. I sure hope you never lead me on Milwaukee avenue, because yours truly can't fly...KENNETH HAMMER, the son of Operator HAMMER, is home after spending 3½ years in the service. At the age of 22, he is now ready to start life. According to his father, Kenneth isn't going to drive a bus. Welcome home, Ken...Pensioner FRED LOHSE passed away on July 31 in Holiday, Florida, after a very short retirement...Operator LAST has finally started his wife bowling, but it is Last who needs to roll off those pounds. Anyway, Mrs. Last is really interested, even though she didn't get the watermelon that was promised. I expect to see great steps taken this fall, Mrs. Last...I hope and pray for all of us to have the best Thanksgiving that is possible. Remember we still have a lot to be thankful for.

- W. A. Henry (Don't call me Wilbur)

GENERAL OFFICE (Medical) -

Dr. STEPHEN D. MOSNY and his wife motored through the New England States of Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island. Points of interest to them were the Freedom Trail in Boston, Vanderbilt Mansion in Rhode Island, and Sturbridge Village in Massachusetts; also a trip up to the top of Mount Washington on the cog railway.

(Public Information) -

A salute to the wonderful men of the Addison fire department No. 1 who honored my granddaughter, LESLIE NEURAUTER. She wrote an essay that won her the honor of being the honorary fire chief for the night of October 8, during Fire Prevention Week. An open house was held and Leslie received the privilege of riding on the company's snorkle. After her ride the magic words were spoken to allow her mother and grandmother (Murph) to take a ride on the snorkle. It had looked so simple when we saw Leslie take her ride, but after we started up our knees began to shake. It takes many hours of hard work to keep that expensive equipment in tip-top shape and it may be fun to ride the snorkle but the fun disappears when you realize they are saving our lives and our property, something we always take for granted...MARY ELLEN RUSS, clerk-typist, was welcomed to the Charter Department as a new employe.

(Office Services) -

The department has moved into their new headquarters, Room 7-142, as well as Mr. KNOX and his secretary. Open House?

(Employe Relations) -

SUE STENZEL and ROSE HEMZACEK, the daughter of J. J. HEMZACEK, Transportation Department, were wel-

TAKING HIS pension after 24 years of service is Trackman JOHN PARNELL, West Shops. John plons to move in the spring to his ranch near Vancouver, Woshington, where he will leisurely spend his retirement.

THIS HAPPY couple, Pensioner and Mrs. SIDNEY E. DUKE, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 17. Sidney was a bus operator at Forest Glen Depot before taking his pension in 1960 after 32 years of service.

comed to this department...GERRY McMANAMON recently took a two-week vacation by rail through Canada, the Eastern States, and down south to New Orleans. That fellow sure gets around on the railroad's time.

(Executive) -

Mrs. M. JAGODZINSKI transferred from the Claim Department to become Mr. FINCH's new secretary. Good luck in your new position.

(Treasury) -

FLORENCE BUTTERFIELD and her husband motored through Northern Illinois visiting the various railway places of interest. She also received a surprise visit while on her vacation from her sister who lives in Connecticut whom she has not seen in six years...JEANNE LUDMANN transferred from the Claim Department replacing JOHN ALLEN who retired on September 1.

(Reproduction Services) -

SHARON DAUKSHIS and her girl friend flew down to Hawaii, and also spent a few days in Las Vegas and San Francisco enjoying the night spots.

(Insurance) -

ED DONAHUE became a proud grandfather for the first time when his daughter-in-law presented him with a baby girl named PATRICIA. The proud father is DAVID DONAHUE, a former ticket agent...LYNNE KLOPP is now sporting a lovely diamond ring which she received from ALAN LINDEN. Alan is the son of GEORGE LINDEN who works at Skokie Shops. Wedding bells will be ringing May 30, 1970...RONNIE McCANN paid us a surprise visit with her new daughter, KAREN. Good to see you looking so slim, Ron...DOROTHY ETSCHEID, Pension Division, had a double surprise when both her son and daughter came home on leave from the Marine Corps...TERRY MNICHOWICZ and her husband, LEE, flew to Seattle, Washington, on the weekend...The welcome mat is extended to BARBARA McNUTT who transferred from Claim; KATHY KOHLMANN from Stores, and a newcomer, KATHY SZATKOWSKI...LESTER SMITH and his family drove to Arkansas to visit with his in-laws.

(Training & Accident Prevention) -

The following employes are new to the department: JOSEPHINE FELDMAN, MARIE WIECZOREK, PAT DUNEK, and LEONARD LOHN. Graduate trainee ED SCHALK is working in Methods and Procedures, while Graduate Trainee TOM SCHRODT is working as a conductor on the rapid transit...ART HUBACZ, National Commander, Zone 3, Polish Legion of America, spent a week of his vacation attending the Legion's Convention at the Sherman House in Chicago. Art's son, ARTHUR GREGORY, enlisted in the Navy and is to report for duty at Great Lakes on November 13...MICHAEL McCARTHY evened up the sides at his house when he became the father of KAREN MARIE. That makes two boys and two girls for Mike and ELAINE. Elaine is the former Elaine Kompanowski of the Law Department...ELIOT HIRSCH severely strained his back on a recent fishing trip. Was the fish that big El or just what was it? Mrs. JOANNE BOURNE will long remember her second wedding anniversary. Her husband, JIM, presented her with the keys to a 6-room raised ranch type home in Cicero, Illinois...BERNIE FORD and his family vacationed in the nation's capital...JOE O'SULLIVAN and his wife spent a wonderful week in Brown County, Indiana. It was in this vicinity that Joe and Helen honeymooned, 29 years ago.

(Employment) -

LYNN HARRER and SUE HOLZER enjoyed a one-week boat cruise to Nassau and the Bahamas...CAROL SWIDERSKI also had a week's vacation on a boat cruise to Nassau... The welcome mat is extended to RITA HURLEY, clerk-typist, who joined the CTA ranks...STANLEY TADEVIC and his wife flew to Atlanta, Georgia, for a week to visit with friends...DON RIESS and his wife spent three days of his vacation in Mexico City and three days in Acapulco. The highlight of their trip was their first bullfight, which they watched while sitting in a downpour. They got soaking wet, but say it was worth it.

(Research & Planning) -

Welcome to JUDY CLOHESSY who started with the department in September after transferring from Employment...SUSAN LAPP, the daughter of CHARLES LAPP, was married on September 13 to ROBERT THEIS of Franklin Park. A reception was held in Morton Grove. Congratulations to the happy couple...HERMAN ANDERS and his wife have a new addition to the family--a beagle puppy called Pepper...TOM HENNINGSEN is the proud owner of a new cool 1969 air-conditioned Mercury Monterey...MARY BOSKI and her husband, JOHN, joined the Chicago North Elks on their annual outing to Las Vegas. It was a marvelous four-day trip (via United Airlines charter jet flight). On the same trip, Mary and John stayed at the Stardust Hotel, but hotel hopped to see Bill Cosby at the new International, Louis Prima at the Sands, Dean (everybody loves somebody) Martin at the Riviera, and several other exciting shows. Highlight of Mary's trip was seeing Dino from ringside. Don't ask Mary if she broke the bank at Vegas or if Vegas broke her bank.

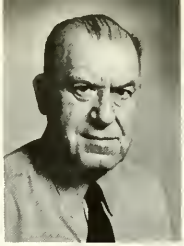
- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

KEDZIE -

Your reporter and his wife went to Hawaii and spent nine days with our son, AUGUST, on his R&R leave from Viet Nam. What a grand time we had. We also celebrated our son's 22nd birthday on August 25, and took in all the sights and floor shows, plus a luau. On our way back home we spent four days in Los Angeles. We visited with my wife's cousin whom she hadn't seen in 29 years. We also visited former Operator EDWIN HOLLER who lives near Culver City and spent three days with Ed and his wife, RUTH. They took us on a tour of Los Angeles, Knotts Berry Farm, and Disneyland. I wouldn't know how to thank

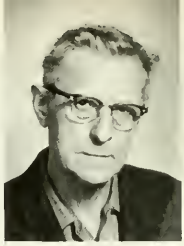
E. C. KAROSS
49 Years

C. J. POWERS
46 Years



H. J. SCHESSLER
45 Years

J. A. CLARK
44 Years



C. POLICH
44 Years

P. E. HUEBSCH
40 Years

E. CAIN
40 Years

H. E. RENNHACK
40 Years

JOINING THE ranks of the retired during October and November were the 18 employes pictured here who had 40 or more years of service each.

NEW PENSIONERS

LEO ADAMS, Janitor,
West Section, Emp. 2-19-51
L. GORDON ANDERSON, Superintendent,
Shops & Equipment, Emp. 6-5-44
GLADYS G. ARMONDA, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 9-26-64
IRVING BRIM, Conductor,
West Section, Emp. 6-14-43
ROBERT A. BROWNE, Clerk,
West Section, Emp. 10-29-45
EDWARD CAIN, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 2-4-29
FRANK P. CALDERON, Operator,
Keeler, Emp. 6-27-27
JOHN A. CLARK, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 9-21-25
MICHAEL CONROY, Repairer,
Kedzie, Emp. 5-29-36
HAROLD A. COOK, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 8-26-42
FRANK P. CORRIGAN, Operator,
Electrical, Emp. 9-21-36
FLORIAN A. CZANSTKOWSKI, Substation Operator,
Electrical, Emp. 7-15-36
FRANK J. DORICH, Loader Grinder Operator,
Track, Emp. 5-9-36
JOHN J. DURKIN, Mechanic,
South Shops, Emp. 3-18-29
SIDNEY J. ENGELHARDT, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 9-1-42
MICHAEL E. FELTEN, Control Inspection Helper,
Wilson Shops, Emp. 12-18-41
CARL E. FISCHER, Motorman,
South Section, Emp. 8-11-48
MARSHALL T. FOSTER, Bricklayer,
Building, Emp. 7-15-37
SOL GRAFF, Collector,
Limits, Emp. 3-10-43
THOMAS B. GRIFFIN, Machinist,
South Shops, Emp. 4-19-45
ROBERT A. GUYSSENS, Serviceman,
North Park, Emp. 6-21-39
JEREMIAH HANAFIN, Motorman,
South Section, Emp. 8-26-26
OMAR C. HART, Transfer Counter,
Revenue Accounting, Emp. 8-28-42
MICHAEL J. HAYES, Serviceman,
Kedzie, Emp. 10-5-44
WILLIAM B. HENN, Supervisor,
West Section, Emp. 5-23-44
PATRICK J. HOGAN, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 4-7-43
ARTHUR HOLMBERG, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 11-10-36
FRANK M. HORVAT, Technical Services Asst.,
Equipment Research & Devlp., Emp. 3-16-25
ERNEST C. HOWARD, Motorman,
West Section, Emp. 9-29-26
MANLEY M. HOWE, Supervisor,
Security, Emp. 11-13-28
PHILIP E. HUEBSCH, Supervisor,
District "D", Emp. 12-10-28
CARL H. JOHNSON, Buyer,
Purchasing, Emp. 9-18-23
EDWARD C. KAROSS, Supervisor,
Property Accounting, Emp. 3-3-20
FREDERICK W. KINDERMAN, Attorney,
Law, Emp. 6-15-34
WILLIAM J. KLEPITCH, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 8-27-42
WILLIAM W. KURTZ, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 4-17-42

F. M. HORVAT
44 Years

L. SNYDER
41 Years

F. A. YAPELLI
43 Years

F. P. CALDERON
42 Years

D. E. SHERRARD
45 Years

E. C. HOWARD
43 Years

J. HANAFIN
43 Years

F. MUSSATTO
41 Years

E. C. TELSCHOW
40 Years

J. J. LYNCH
40 Years

STANLEY LABANOWSKI, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 9-7-43
JOHN J. LYNCH, Operator.
69th Street, Emp. 7-15-29
FRANK MUSSATTO, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 10-3-27
JOHN W. PARNELL, Trackman,
Track, Emp. 6-15-45
CLARENCE A. PETERSON, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 11-20-40
EUGENE B. PETERSON, Chief Clerk,
North Avenue, Emp. 9-11-26
PETER F. PIETSCH, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 11-6-33
CHARLES POLICH, Welder,
Track, Emp. 9-26-25
CHARLES J. POWERS, Collector,
69th Street, Emp. 8-23-23
HAROLD E. RENNHACK, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 3-20-29
JAMES J. RITTENBERG, Clerk,
Lawndale, Emp. 3-24-41
MELVIN E. SAYRE, Repairer,
South Campaign Area, Emp. 9-5-29
HARRY J. SCHLESSER, Conductor,
West Section, Emp. 1-25-24
FRED S. SCHULTZ, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 3-10-42
SALVATORE SELVAGGIO, Repairman,
Congress Shop, Emp. 3-1-44
DANIEL E. SHERRARD, Armature Winder "A",
South Shops, Emp. 1-16-24
LELAND SNYDER, Towerman,
Howard Street, Emp. 10-3-27
PASQUALE SPROVIERI, Repairer,
North Avenue, Emp. 12-7-29
JAMES C. STAFFORD, Material Handler,
Kedzie, Emp. 8-17-37
ELMER C. TELSCHOW, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 9-25-29
THOMAS G. THORPE, Carpenter "A",
Building, Emp. 8-10-42
MARIE E. TOWNSEND, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 2-10-48
JOHN F. WINIECKI, Motorman,
West Section, Emp. 2-14-31
ANNA E. WEINSTOCK, Balance Clerk,
Revenue Accounting, Emp. 7-31-64
FRANK A. YAPELLI, Conductor,
West Section, Emp. 4-29-26
WILLIAM ZERLANG, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 3-5-45

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

JAMES E. GALLAGHER, Conductor,
South Section, Emp. 10-11-37
HERBERT E. HEIDEN, Bond Clerk,
Treasury, Emp. 8-26-37
JOSEPH L. KANE, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 6-3-46
VERNON W. KEENE, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 7-7-37
HELEN MACKASKI, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 2-9-57
ARTHUR C. McDERMOTT, Electrician,
Electrical, Emp. 8-23-35
ROY G. MILLER, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 3-29-34
THOMAS J. REGAN, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 7-1-54

the Hollers for their wonderful hospitality. Ed says hello to everyone at Kedzie...Operator JAMES RICHARDSON and his wife vacationed in Las Vegas and spent some time in Denver. They saw all the shows and Richardson had good luck on the dice tables. While they were in Denver, they visited all the mountains and nearby towns. When they returned home, they had company from Los Angeles and St. Louis that spent a week with them...I received a card from Pensioner DAVE CLARK who is up in Canada on his farm. He sends his best to all at Kedzie...Operator R. HARMON and his wife and son went to Atlanta, Georgia, which is his wife's home town. Harmon met one of his ex-army buddies whom he hadn't seen in 20 years. What a grand time they had talking about their old army days...Operator C. ABBOTT spent two weeks at his cottage in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin enjoying themselves and taking short trips to nearby towns...Congratulations to TOMMY JACKSON, the son of Instructor LLOYD JACKSON, who played first base on the All-Stars at Marquette Park, winning all their games and bringing the trophy to Westdale, Illinois. It's the first time Westdale had this honor. Tommy plays in the little league for nine- and ten-year olds. Kenny Holtzman of the Cubs presented the awards and trophies to all the players. It was an occasion that will be remembered for a long time... Operator E. McCOLLUM and his wife drove to Florida for a three-week vacation taking in all the sights along the way. ..Congratulations to Instructor JERRY KNOPF and his lovely wife, HENRIETTA, who celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary on September 25. We wish them many more years of happiness. Jerry also celebrated 29 years with the CTA on September 26. If you want to hear some good stories about the old days, contact Jerry who is head instructor at Kedzie...We are very proud of the sons of CTA employes. One, JOHN FOURNIER, the son of Receiver FRANK FOURNIER, has been elected vice-president of Automated Marketing Systems, Inc., which is the parent company of several Chicago and New York firms. Mr. Fournier was previously a vice-president of a company in Dallas, Texas. He now makes his home in Oak Park, Illinois...We send our best to these operators who took their pensions, F. SCHULTZ and PAT McQUAID. May you enjoy your retirement and do all the things you have planned to do and do them in the best of health...Belated congratulations to Miss KATHLEEN JEAN LYLE, the daughter of Operator HOWARD J. LYLE, who was married on August 23 to EUGENE A. PROSIO. We wish you both all the happiness life can bring. A little secret, Katy, I still remember the days when your dad was my conductor and you climbed up on our streetcar and took a free ride to the depot with us. Time sure goes by...Our deepest sympathy to Operator E. McCOLLUM on the loss of his mother, JESSIE McCOLLUM, and his sister, Mrs. LORETTA SCHMERTMAN, of Springfield, Illinois; to Operator T. MURPHY on the loss of his mother, MARY A. MURPHY, who was laid to rest on September 10; to the family of RAYMOND T. GRAY who was laid to rest on September 20, and to the family of Operator LARRY KEATING of Lawndale Depot who passed away on October 7. Larry was also a reporter for the Transit News...Remember our credit union is always ready to help you, but also help your credit union by saving a little each payday and watch your savings grow.

- Raymond Graham

THIS CHUBBY little lad is STEVEN THOMAS PHELPS, the great-grandson of TONY SCIONNA, South Shops, who became a great-grandfather at the age of 59. The proud mother is SHARON PHELPS, Tony's granddaughter.

KEELER -

Station Superintendent BOB CHRISTIAN and his family recently returned from a warm and exciting vacation in Florida...Clerk JOHN WALTHER and his family are enjoying the spas in Hot Springs, Arkansas...Operator STANLEY JOZWIAK and his wife are vacationing somewhere on the southern coast of Florida. We are waiting to hear from you, Joz, so we can get the right dope as to where you are. In the meantime, have fun, anyway...Operator BILL HODGSON and his family are off and running to the great Smokey Mountains for a long vacation and will take in some deep sea diving in Florida. The Hodgsons celebrated Bill's birthday on October 25, and you can be sure that the celebration on November 4 was something to behold when he and his wife, LORRY, recalled 19 years of wedded bliss. I would like to extend my personal congratulations and best wishes to you, Bill, on what I know has been a very splendid 19 years...Our custodian, SY GOLDMAN, and his wife, NELLIE, celebrated their second wedding anniversary in November...Well, what do you know? Operator FRANK CALDERON has retired after 42 years of service with the Chicago Motor Coach and CTA. Frank says he hates to bow out now and miss the fun with the new fare-box system. He feels the job is getting a little too soft for him now. Good luck, good health, and many prosperous years. Also, Operator W. TESSMAN has decided to turn in his weapons after 41 years of loyal service. Good luck, Tess, and don't forget to stop by and say hello. I'm sure all the gang will miss you...Congratulations to Operator and Mrs. VICTOR MEDUNYCIA on the birth of their first child, July 6. They are elated over their cuddly little bundle named GREG. Vic is still passing out cigars and the snapshot is worn due to constant handling by the proud dad...Operator JOHN HARRIS celebrated his birthday on October 29, and Operator R. BOWEN will celebrate his birthday on November 28...Congratulations to the twin sisters of Operator ROBERT FIELDS who celebrated their birthday on October 7...Unfortunately I was unable to attend the annual reporter's dinner on September 12 in the Merchandise Mart, but I would like to convey my thanks to ROBERT D. HEINLEIN, editor of the Transit News, for the very nice gift that we all received. I am sure it will provide many years of reading pleasure...All the employes at Keeler Station would like to extend their best wishes to our former station superintendent, S. J. BITEL, who retired on September 1 after a very fulfilling career with the CTA...ELMER RIEDEL, our esteemed chief clerk, vacationed in Florida and was sighted by one of our roving reporters aboard the ship T.S. Flavia bound for the Bahamas. He was scampering from deck to deck, clad in only swim trunks, testing the water in the dif-

ferent swimming pools. It was learned that at that time, he was expected to dine at the captain's table in formal wear. Naughty, chief...On Saturday, September 13, the son of Receiver MAURICE J. BUCKLEY, TERRENCE LEE, embarked upon the sea of matrimony with Miss CYNTHIA GIBSON. Accept our sincere wishes for a long, happy, and fruitful marriage. . .Supervisor Trainee and Co-reporter ERNEST CARTER made a half-hour speech to a class of nine and ten-year olds at Shepard Elementary school extrolling the merits of "good ole" CTA. He informed them that they should respect and preserve the use of their property. He also emphasized the possibility of one of them being capable of becoming his boss in the next fifteen years or so...Received a postcard from Operator CHARLES MEREDITH who is vacationing in New York and having a ball. Naturally, I showed it to all the fellows around the station, and they can't figure out why Charles is spending all his time in Greenwich Village. Hurry home, Charles, but don't forget to check out Harlem...Pensioner RAY WISHLER stopped by the station for a short visit to tell all the gang about the beautiful coast of Florida. Ray is now residing in Pompano Beach, Florida...Mrs. BONITA RANDOLPH, the wife of Operator JEFF RANDOLPH, celebrated her birthday on September 10. Their son, BRYAN, celebrated his on September 17. Mrs. RUBY BOOSE, the wife of Operator ARTHUR BOOSE, celebrated her birthday on September 8. Congratulations to all who may be celebrating this month. And speaking of birthdays, yours truly celebrated his 29th birthday on September 25, and also his 9th month of marriage on September 21. You can bet he did the town up...See you all next month.

- Anthony Berry

LIMITS -

Supervisor JESSE RODRIGUEZ and his dear wife, JUNE, were pleasantly surprised on their 25th wedding anniversary by 200 guests at their church at 12731 S. Wood street. Congratulations and best wishes to this fine couple...Operator BILL WHITE, manager of the Limits softball team, reports that Limits finished in second place and received a trophy. A banquet was held for the team in the Executive House in the Loop. Congratulations...The "Big Brothers", a humanitarian group headed by ROOSEVELT SIMPKINS, collected a large amount of canned food and distributed it among the poor people of Chicago. They wish to thank the many donors at Limits...Congratulations and best wishes to Operator G. P. TAYLOR and his dear wife on their 30th wedding anniversary, October 1...CHARLEY JOHNSON, Repair Department clerk, took his pension after 26 years of service. May you have a long and healthy pensioned life. ..Two operators joined the matrimonial ranks last month. RALPH MOORE was joined in holy wedlock to a pretty maid by the name of BARBARA. DENNIS KIPPES was married to a charming and lovely miss by the name of MARGARET. The wedding was held at St. Alphonsus church, 1429 W. Wellington. Congratulations and best wishes to these two fine couples...JOSEPH JOSETTI, who is stationed at St. Clair and Grand avenues as a collector, has been in the hospital for surgery. He is now on the active list again and is in tip top shape...STANLEY DEERING and his wife had a wonderful vacation visiting California and Oregon. While in California, they went through the great redwood tree country where they were amazed at the fascinating works of nature...Chief Clerk JOHN SIMKO had a beautiful trip to Boise, Idaho, where he visited his grandchildren and took

SHOWN ADMIRING the 8½ pound walleye caught by Ticket Agent GEORGE ROHRHUBER at Otter Lake, Michigan, are, left to right: Operator FLORIAN DWIEL, North Avenue, George, Operator BILL DI GIOIA, North Avenue, and (kneeling) Receiver BILL PINASCO, North Avenue.

in the beautiful scenery of the west. . .Superintendent GEORGE MAY and his dear wife enjoyed themselves in sunny California where they visited friends and relatives and did quite a bit of sightseeing...FRANK ROBINSON and his family returned from their vacation after visiting many places of interest in the good old USA...JOHN J. JOHNSON, formerly a motorman at the old Devon depot and later a ticket agent, suffered a stroke which left a defect in his speech. He is now up and around and wishes to send his best regards to all of the old timers he worked with...Our sincerest sympathy to the family of CHARLES HEROLD, former board member at Limits, who passed away last month after a lingering illness. Also to W. LEMONS, we extend our sympathy on the loss of his father.

- R. S. Benson

LOOP -

Agent W. STRASSER and his wife took a three-day vacation to Elkhorn, Wisconsin. This was to celebrate their wedding anniversary and Wilbur's birthday. Just received a call as I was writing this that Wilbur was rushed to Illinois Masonic hospital. Let's hope you recover quickly... Good luck and good health to Trainman E. HOWARD who retired on October 1. After 43 years, he says he is going to do all the things he has wanted to do but never could get done because of his working hours. He will spend some time up in Wisconsin with his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law. Mr. Howard, please remember to always look where you walk. It sure feels funny walking in fresh cement and going down. Good thing it wasn't instant drying cement or you would still be standing at the corner of Circle and Elgin. Well, good luck and stop around and visit with the boys...At this time Agent MORA HAASE has her hair pulled out. She is talking to herself all day. The Wrigley stock is going up and up as she is constantly chewing gum. All this because her third grandchild isn't here yet. By the time this baby is born, Mora will be a basket case...A short while ago Agent DAVE GROFMAN's son and daughter-in-law and three children moved to Silver Springs, Maryland. Dave and his wife got so lonesome they went there to visit and really enjoyed their stay. The children are LAURA MARIE, 8, AMY, 7, and MICHAEL, 5. Michael is just starting school and he really feels big. On October 27, Dave and his wife celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary. We all wish you good health and many more anniversaries...After 20 years of service, Agent LEO ADAMS retired on October 1. Leo and his wife are taking a vacation for several months in the New England states. They will spend some time in New York where Mrs. Adams will do some shopping in some of the leading shops on Fifth avenue. Later on, Leo will take up his old hobbies of fishing and

hunting. Good luck, Leo, and many, many happy years of retirement...Our deepest sympathy to Trainman V. ROLAND and his wife who lost their daughter so suddenly in an accident. Our sympathy is extended to her dear husband, Mr. STEFFEN, and their three children...Agent FAY CAPRIO spent the first part of her vacation in Florida. I guess there wasn't enough action there so she came home, but just for one day. She then flew to California and spent the remaining days of her vacation with her sister...Sorry to hear that Agent DOROTHY FORD had been ill for such a long time. Now that you feel better and are back to work, let's keep well...Nice to see Agent M. WIXTED back working again. Let's keep it that way, Mary...If you see Agent JIMMY GEORGE driving around and around, he's looking for the parking space he saw while driving in the other direction. If he is seen standing in an empty space, he is holding it for another agent or switchman. Jimmy once was a boy scout and he always remembered to do something good each day...Need your chair fixed? Light switch needs fixing? Can you open your safe? Combination work OK? If not, we have a gal who works along the line that can get these things done in 1-2-3. Well, CLARA, how do you get all these things in fine working order so fast? Let us in on it...On July 19, Pensioner PATRICK O'BRIEN and MARGARET KENNEDY said "I do" at mass in St. Francis of Rome Catholic church. Patrick's two sons and Maragret's two daughters stood up for them at the wedding. Pat and his bride honeymooned in England, Ireland, and Scotland. Many happy days to you both...The hot news of the day is that Agent JULIE MATTRAN is being followed by Hollywood talent scouts. Oh yes, it's true. While Julie and her husband, RAY, were in Los Angeles this summer, they were wining and dining in some of the worlds most fashionable restaurants and Julie looked so glamorous, these boys spotted her. But she got away from them and came back to the Windy City. Look out, Julie, they are coming after you. ..Wait, we just can't overlook the scrub crew on Lake street. One day they were working so hard cleaning the booths, stations, and outside walls, and there was JOHNSON working along with his men. It was a big job well done... What is this we hear that Janitor J. BARRETT works harder on payday than any other day? Who can tell us why? Can you, Mr. SCHULTZ?..Welcome to Trainman LOU PAYNE our new West Section reporter. I always knew that SANTO SICILIANO needed a little help. Can you imagine Santo asking for Italian spaghetti when he is offered real good southern fried chicken and all the trimmings? Yes, that is correct.

- Mildred Doyle

LIVING IT up at a local bistro in Paris, France, is this happy group on a recent trip to that city. Pictured left to right are: **RENEE HORNEY, CARMELLA GARGANO,** a former **CTA** employe, **CHARLES HORNEY,** and Pensioner **OSCAR LUDMANN.** Oscar's wife, **JEANNE,** Claim Department, took the photo.

LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Hi! Now that the public seems to know where they are going and everyone in the Loop has enough "L" transfers, life at CTA is finally coming back to normal. Opening the Dan Ryan was a lot of work for everyone, but it was exciting and I was glad to be a part of it...JUNE BAREKMAN spent her vacation touring Utah, Oregon, Washington, and Idaho with her cousins. June said she had a great time and was sorry to see it all come to an end...JUANITA EDEN's mother, WILMA, who is a North Side ticket agent, is in the hospital. We hope she's feeling better and will be back to work soon...BERNADETTE HAYES, who is still in the hospital, wishes to thank all of you for remembering her with cards and calls. Oak Park isn't the same without you, Bernadette. Hurry back...MARY BURROWS, VERNELL JACKSON, and PAT DINWIDDIE are all still on the sick list. Hope to be seeing all of you back to work soon... BRENDA STRAUGHTER changed her name to CASSELL on August 14. Best wishes for a long and happy married life, Brenda...FAY CAPRIO visited Florida, drove back to Chicago, and then flew to Los Angeles. Fay doesn't believe in spending her vacation all in one place...Pensioner BETTY WEST is in St. Alexius hospital in Elk Grove Village. Betty would like to hear from her friends at CTA...Assignment Agent LILLIAN CULLINAN spent her vacation on the CTA European tour. Lil had been all over the United States but this was her first time abroad. She had a swell time but came back with a rare European disease--the common cold...MARY MARBLE, BEA CLARK, ALEX MANONI, and LITA CAUSEY will all be qualifying as assignment agents soon. Best of luck to all of them...Congratulations to Superintendent DON LEMM on his promotion. We sure hated to lose him to the South Side...MARY BURROWS' son, Pfc. MICHAEL T. HEDRICK, received the navy commendation medal from the secretary of the navy. Mary Burrows is very proud of her son and she can be sure that we all share her pride.

- Katy Moriarty

NORTH AVENUE -

Congratulations to Operator WILLIAM MORELAND and his wife, PEARL. Pearl won a 1969 Ford Mustang from National Food Stores...Thanks to the management for the delicious food and enjoyable evening at the M&M Club, given for the reporters at a dinner September 12. We had the opportunity to renew old and make new acquaintances... Goodby and good luck to Garage Foreman JOSEPH FIORITA who is being transferred to Forest Glen Depot. He tells us that he is very happy with his wife whom he married in 1937. They are blessed with a wonderful son, ROBERT, and lovely daughter-in-law, GAY, who have two daughters, ERIN and SHANNON. They also have a lovely daughter, PAT, and fine son-in-law, GEORGE RILEY, who have four sons, MARK, SEAN, MATTHEW, and BRIAN. This should make any man proud. We also wish the best of everything to Relief Foreman JAMES BYRNE who is also going to Forest Glen. We'll miss both of them. We welcome Day Foreman BRUNO FERET and Relief Foreman QUINTEN CLARK. We hope they'll be happy here...Superintendent

THIS LOVELY young lady is JUDITH ANN EICHHORN, the granddaughter of Pensioner PAUL G. BURANDT. Judith was graduated on August 16 from St. Mary of Nazareth School of Nursing, and at present is employed at their hospital.

WILLIAM MOSER and his wife took a jet from O'Hare Airport to Acapulco, Mexico, to enjoy a vacation. Pensioner ERNEST BOCK and his wife, EMILY, flew to Reno, Nevada, for their vacation. They also visited San Francisco and Carson City. Operator BILL REDMOND and his wife, KAY, and Pensioner WILLIAM KENNEDY and his wife, MADELYN, visited New York and San Juan, Puerto Rico. My son, BILL MIEDEMA, garage clerk at Forest Glen, and his wife, JACKIE, just returned from Hawaii with stopovers at Las Vegas and Los Angeles...Operator HAROLD HODNETT departed this life September 24. Pensioner RAYMOND GRAY, former Financial Secretary-Treasurer of Division 241, Amalgamated Transit Union, passed away. Switchboard Operator WILLIAM LEWIS lost his mother September 10. Pensioner OWEN P. McGOWAN passed away August 23. Pensioner CHARLES HEROLD departed this life on September 22. Operator FLORIAN DWIEL lost his mother-in-law, BERTHA HAHN, on September 21. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved families...Pensioner JOSEPH REINHART was here on vacation and visited North Avenue. Pensioner JAMES McMULLEN and I had a nice visit with him. We enjoyed talking about the "good old days." He had the opportunity to greet other old friends, too. Joe was in Chicago with his wife, VIOLET, to visit his sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. H. HARDING. Joe was 72 years old on March 8, and is enjoying his pension at Harbor Beach, Michigan. He and Violet celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary on August 10...We had a nice letter from Pensioner ART MOILANEN and his wife, BETTY. Operator FLORIAN DWIEL and I are leaving in a few days for a visit with them. Art bought a boat, motor, and trolling rig and took his visitors fishing this summer. He's had some fine fishing, and we hope it's still going on when we get there. Those lake trout sound mighty good...We received a welcome letter from Pensioner BILL ECHOLS recalling many memories he has of his old friend, Pensioner JOHN "Hurricane" MURPHY, who passed away recently. About a month after John took his pension, he had his leg removed. The old gang at North Avenue Depot chipped in and bought him an artificial leg. As long as he was able, he came back to Chicago to celebrate his birthday with his relatives and friends. It was a big day in his life. Bill says, "John was a Christian gentleman in all that the term implies." John would have been 93 on September 10...We were happy to receive a letter from Pensioner ERNEST PEARSON. He sent a picture of his new home and it is beautiful. He has been doing some fishing and has had very good luck. He and his wife, ANNA, are well. Their children have been to visit them. He sends a "hello" to all of his old friends. He would be happy to see any of his old friends. He can show them fine fishing on White River, and fine weather. The address is 519 Russell street, Mountain Home, Arkansas 72653...Fall rains are coming. There will be leaves on the streets and they will be slippery. From that, we go into the time when the streets will be slippery with ice and snow. Drive carefully, let's try to have the best safety record possible for North Avenue Depot...During the approaching Thanksgiving season, may we all be truly thankful for our many blessings. As we give thanks, may we remember our boys thousands of miles from home and pray for their safe return, very soon, from that seemingly endless horror in Viet Nam. May God bless all of you, and them.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

In the first eight months of 1969, North Park Depot is running 94 accidents less than the same period in 1968. Your station superintendents and the instruction force would appreciate your continued observance of the safe driving rules...The North Park Credit Union's annual business meeting will be held Friday, January 9, at River Park fieldhouse, 5100 N. Francisco avenue at 8 p.m. Dividends will be declared and refreshments will be served with drawings for door prizes. All members are urged to attend...Congratulations are extended to the 52 operators at North Park who were selected for "Employe of the Year" awards. The names of these men are posted on the bulletin board for all to see...Sanitary Engineer OSCAR ANDERSON and his wife, LUELLA, became grandparents for the first time when their son, BRUCE, and his wife, IRMA, became the parents of a daughter, KIRA LEE, born August 21 at Ingalls Memorial hospital in Harvey, Illinois, weighing 6 pounds 15 ounces...Mr. R. W. CHRISTIAN was appointed day superintendent at Keeler Station with Mr. JACK MORRIS taking over as p.m. superintendent at North Park. Our congratulations are extended to Mr. Christian and Mr. Morris in their new positions...Operator ALLEN LICHTER was awarded a trophy by the children of the Hollywood Park Day camp, stating that Allen was the world's nicest bus driver. Keep up the good work, Allen...Operator JOHN EISELT had the misfortune of losing his cap and badge when he was held up while returning home from work... Operator HENRY SCHRAMM and his wife, ELIZABETH, relaxed at Grand View, Illinois, where Hank's cousin, Mr. JOSEPH SCHRAMM, resides. While in Grand View, Hank and Joe erected a new tractor shed...Operator CARL HANSEN and his wife, SANDRA, and his children, CARL, DENISE, JOHN, and Carl's mother, Mrs. ELIZABETH ASHLEY, traveled to the Southwest on their vacation. Highlights were visits to Shepard of the Hills Country in the Ozarks, Meramec Caverns, The Golden Gate to the West Arch in St. Louis, Hot Springs for the baths, and a visit to the Alligator Farm where the Hansens purchased a small alligator...Operator LEO STERN and his wife, MILDRED, and children, ROBERT and STEVEN, drove throughout the west on their vacation. Highlights of the trip were visits to Abilene, Kansas, to see the Eisenhower museum, Colorado Springs, Pikes Peak, Air Force Academy, Rocky Mountain National bank, Yellowstone National park, and Mount Rushmore in South Dakota...Operator RALPH McDONALD flew to Boston, Montreal, and Halifax, Nova Scotia, where

Ralph's mother, Mrs. SELMA McDONALD, and his sister, Miss NITA McDONALD, reside. In Boston, Ralph visited his daughter, Mrs. CANDY PECKNER, and his grandson, JUSTIN DENNIS...Operator DALE PETERS and his wife, SUE, and children, PATRICIA, JIMMY, and LINDA vacationed at Nashville, Arkansas, where Dale's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. PETERS, reside. They visited Sue's parents, Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE BRANCH, in Nashville...Operator BOB KESSLER and his son, JERRY, vacationed at Cass Lake, Minnesota. Bob and Jerry reported the fishing was poor...Operator ED ZIENTARA and his wife, ROSE, and their grandson, JIM COVERS, traveled the Northern Pacific to the western states as part of Jim's birthday present. Highlights of the trip were visits to Knotts Berry Farm, Disneyland, Marineland, and the Navy installations in San Diego...Operator HOWARD ANDLER and his wife, BLANCHE, and children, ROBIN and LORALYN, vacationed with Blanche's parents, Mr. and Mrs. FRANK ARNOLD, who reside in Narthome, Minnesota. On the agenda were berry picking excursions, horseback riding, fishing, and visits to several county fairs...Operator JOHN HEIN and his wife, PAT, vacationed at Woodruff, Wisconsin, at the Madelein resort. John and Pat reported that the fishing was excellent...Collector GARDEN McGRATH and his wife, BLANCHE, drove throughout the Southwest on their vacation. Highlights of the trip were visits to Lake Tahoe, Yosemite Park, Scottys Castle, Las Vegas, Nogales, and the White Sands of New Mexico...Operator HAROLD DOWEY and his wife, EULALIE, and her brother, Father JOHN NICHOLSON, flew to Rome, Italy. There were also stops at Vienna, Paris, London, Liverpool, Yorkshire, and North and South Ireland. While in North Ireland, Father Nicholson suffered a heart attack and at this writing is convalescing satisfactorily...Operator BOB CIESLA and his wife, MILLIE, flew to Las Vegas, Nevada, on their vacation. The meals and shows were grand, Bob reports. A visit to Hoover Dam was also enjoyed...Operator RAY DONESKI and his wife, EVELYN, vacationed at Willow Springs, Missouri, where Ray's son, RAY Jr., resides. On the agenda were visits with Pensioner BLACKIE NELSON and his wife, MAYBELL, of Mountain Home, Arkansas, and two wonderful days in Forsyth, Missouri, with Pensioners ART and RUTH MUIR and FRANK and MYRTLE HESS...Operator STANLEY KAZAK and his wife, JOANNE, vacationed throughout Florida. Highlights of their trip were stops at Jacksonville where the Kazaks visited Mrs. MARIE RICH, and a few days in St. Petersburg, Cape Kennedy, Cypress Gardens, Weeki Wachee, Busch Gardens, and a fishing excursion on the Gulf of Mexico...Pensioner PETE CUNNINGHAM had a grand trip to Sweden and Germany and reports that pensioned life is the greatest...Operator BERNIE KONIARSKI and his wife, GERTRUDE, and children, ANN, JEFFERY, and FLOYD vacationed in Orlando, Florida, where Bernie's mother, Mrs. IDA KANE, resides...Operator HAROLD BASON and his wife, NORA, and daughter, DEBBIE, camped out at Devils Lake, Wisconsin, on their vacation. A visit to the Dells and a few fishing excursions were very successful...Operator RICHARD HALLIGAN and his wife, JO, and their poodle, Ricky, drove throughout Florida on their vacation. Visits were made to Fort Myers, Sarasota, St. Petersburg, Silver Springs, Port Everglades, Miami, and they enjoyed a trip aboard the Queen Elizabeth. ..Operator JOHN PULK and his wife, THRESSIE, and children, JOHN Jr. and ROGER, traveled to Little Rock, Arkansas, to visit Mrs. Pulk's relatives on their vacation. The Pulks report the meals and hospitality were excellent. ..Pensioner BILL CLOW was a visitor at North Park. Bill, who is now living in Englewood Florida, was visiting his daughter, Mrs. MILLICENT FLEMMING. Bill extends greetings to his many Chicago friends and invites anyone in his area to stop by and say hello...Operator LEON NORRIS and his wife, LUCY, their daughter, SHARON, and Leon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. NORRIS, rented a camping trailer and visited 11 states on their vacation. Highlights of the trip were visits to the Smokey Mountains, Rock City, and a family picnic and reunion in Birmingham, Alabama, with relatives...Instructor BILL PARNUM and his wife, GINA, and granddaughter, MARY ELLEN PARNUM, drove throughout the West on their vacation. Points of interest were visits to the Black Hills, Mt. Rushmore, Custer National Park, Flintstone Village in Rapid City, South Dakota, and Yellowstone National Park...Operator JOHN KIPPES and his wife, VIRGINIA, took a 15-day Cartan tour to Las Vegas and California on their vacation and were impressed with the many sights and places of interest that they saw...Operator BILL KNUDSEN and his wife, GAIL, spent a week in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where they visited all of the breweries and the great Milwaukee Zoo. Also on the agenda was some time spent fishing at Lake Zurich and Bangs lake...Operator DAVE ARREGUIN and his wife, THERESA, and their children spent their vacation pulling a 19-foot trailer throughout Wisconsin and Minnesota with a total of 3,200 miles to show for it...Operator CHARLES CHRISTENSON and his wife, GRACE, and their daughter, CHRISTINE, were visitors at their in-laws at Pass Christian, Mississippi, two weeks before hurricane Camille hit. Charlies in-laws lost all their possessions in the storm but were not injured. A week's visit with Charlies son-in-law at Table Rock, Missouri, was also on the agenda. Returning home, the Christensons spent ten days at Escanaba, Michigan, where they celebrated their 37th anniversary in camp...Mrs. MARY BOWLER, the wife of Operator EDWARD BOWLER, was operated on at the University of Illinois hospital for major surgery. At this writing, Mary is recovering satisfactorily...Operator BEN NEUMAN fell and broke his leg while helping his neighbor paint his basement and will be missed around the depot for a while...SP/4 ROBERT OESTERREICH, the son of Operator BOB OESTERREICH, has ended his tour of duty in Viet Nam and will be processed out at Fort Lewis, Washington...Recent guests of Pensioner AL PARADISE and his wife, FAYE, were their son, RAYMOND, and his wife, YOUN SUM, and their son, JIMMIE. Raymond is living in Seoul, Korea, and was here on a three-week visit...CHRISTINE CHRISTENSON, the daughter of Operator CHARLES CHRISTENSON,

CELEBRATING THEIR 50th wedding anniversary on July 27 were Pensioner and Mrs. SAM BIARDO. The reception given by their six children was attended by about 100 guests. Sam was a former trackman in the Way and Structures Department.

has entered Trinity college in Deerfield, Illinois, where she has won a scholarship and received a grant from the State of Illinois...Happy anniversaries are extended to: Operator JOHN COSGROVE and his wife, HELEN, their 28th; Operator ROY BOWLIN and his wife, BILLIE, their 23rd, and Operator WILLIAM STINESPRING and his wife, DOLLY, their 40th, October 23...Happy birthdays are extended to: Operator ZEKE JAGST, Instructor GEORGE RELSTAB, Operator VINCENT SHAYER, Operator JIM DOLAN, Operator STANLEY ZALE, Operator ORVILLE MURRAY, Operator McKINLEY DAVENPORT, DENIS LIBERT, DANIEL KOZIOL, Mrs. VIVIAN BAEUCHLER, McKINLEY DAVENPORT Jr., and Mrs. EVELYN RELSTAB...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to the families of GUS JONES on the loss of their son, Pvt. First Class ALAN LESLIE JONES, Pensioners WALTER LOVELESS and JOHN BLOOMER, and to Instructor WALTER STEINBEISS on the loss of his brother, Mr. RAY STEINBEISS...Repair Department chit chat--Our congratulations to Night Foreman JOHN JOYCE who was transferred to Archer Depot as tire foreman. The welcome mat is extended to JOHN HENNELLY who replaced John as night foreman at North Park... Repairman FRANK CAHILL is hospitalized for tests and diagnosis of his problems. Our prayers are with you, Frank...Repairman JULIUS MERSCH and his wife, AGNES, spent a week of their vacation with trips to Algonac, Michigan, and Dubuque, Iowa, where Julius goes to buy his Monks bread...Repairman FRANK (The Cat) SCHENDEL has prepared his supply of hog meat and is taking orders for freezer storage...The welcome mat is extended to Repairman E. MUNOZ who is a transferee from Limits Garage... Repairman ERNIE LETITO vacationed throughout Wisconsin and Michigan...Former Operator JUAN FUENTES was a visitor at the garage, and was hoping to sell a few Volkswagens...The rumor around the garage is that HERMAN's coffee is getting weaker and weaker...Repairman BOB LORENZ is having labor problems on his ranch now that BOOGIE has given up on his free labor position. CLEO EVANS is still helping out, so the problem is not serious as yet...To Mr. DeMENT, Mr. KNAUTZ, MEL ALEXANDER, DIANA WOOD, and Editor BOB HEINLEIN, I would like to say thanks for the grand evening that the other Transit News reporters and I enjoyed at our annual dinner.

Street Collector SOL GRAFF retired on November 1 and will rest a while before pursuing his hobby of photography. ..Operator HAROLD COOK retired on November 1 after 27 years of service. Cookie, who is known as Rube Goldberg the Second, is going to devote full time to his hobby of gardening and knocking around...Operator WILLARD FRIEB and his wife, ADELAIDE, and his daughter, DEBORAH, motored through the East on their vacation. Highlights of the trip were visits to Gettysburg, Harpers Ferry, Washington, D.C., Plymouth and Salem, Massachusetts, Hyannis Port, fishing in the Chesapeake Bay area, and several lobster dinners along the Maine coast line...Operator SEYMOUR STEINBERG and his wife, DOROTHY, went on another CTA excursion to Spain, Portugal, and Morocco. Highlights of the trip were four days in Lisbon, Portugal, sightseeing and night-clubbing, then on to Madrid, Spain, for three days to see the Flamingo shows with an autograph signing party with Actress Ingrid Bergman, then to Tangier, Morocco, and back to Spain for a viewing of the bullfights at Granada with a visit to the Island of Palma De Mallorca...Operator HAROLD JULITZ and his wife, ANN, vacationed at Cable, Wisconsin, where they report that the fishing at Pigeon Lake was excellent...Operator HERMAN

SEEMINGLY SHY and demure is little JENNIFER LYNN SAYLOR, the daughter of Operator EARL SAYLOR, Forest Glen, who celebrated her third birthday on September 17.

WEYLAND and his wife, LAVERNE, vacationed at Benton Harbor, Michigan, where they stayed at the farm home of Mrs. HELEN FULLER. Returning home, the Weylands took off for a week in St. Louis, Missouri...Operator WILL GILL and his wife, LILL, vacationed in the Ozarks. On the agenda were visits to Mountain Home, Arkansas, where they stayed with Pensioner BLACKIE NELSON and his wife, MAYBELL, and a stop at Forsyth to see Pensioners ART MUIR and FRANK HESS. The Gills also drove to Woodriff, Wisconsin, to see Pensioner HARLEY HALSTED...Operator SEYMOUR HOFFMAN and his wife, FLORENCE, and their son, LOUIS, vacationed throughout the East and Canada. Highlights of the trip were visits to Niagara Falls, Montreal, Quebec, The Thousand Islands, and the Laurentian Mountains...Operator JIM MEISTER drove to St. Joseph, Missouri, to visit his mother and brother on his vacation. Also on the agenda were trips to Sault Sainte Marie and Mackinac Island...Utility Chauffeur STEVE HERMAN and his wife, HELEN, vacationed at their newly-purchased home in Forsyth, Missouri. Steve reports the trout and bass fishing was excellent and is grateful to Pensioner ART MUIR for showing him the good holes. Art was surprised on his 68th birthday when his wife, RUTH, presented him with a new 20 horsepower Mercury outboard motor. With the greater cruising range Art now has, we expect to see a well-stocked freezer on our next visit to Forsyth...TERRY BUCKLEY, the son of Receiver MORRIS and Mrs. BUCKLEY, was married on Saturday, September 13, at St. Edwards Catholic church to Miss GIBSON. The reception held at Shirley's hall was attended by 200 guests. The hit of the evening was when Morris sang, "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling", and an Italian musician had to whisper the words to Morrie. The rendition brought tears to the eyes of Receivers STENZEL, RAGE, GIRARD, and SIMKO...Operator CASEY "Sarge" JOHNSON was a recent visitor at North Park and the rumor is that Casey is homesick for his old stamping grounds...PAUL BROWN, the son of Operator PAT BROWN, was graduated from the Metropolitan School of Business with a degree in business administration in accounting...JOHN and FRANK COSGROVE, the sons of Operator JOHN COSGROVE, were recent graduates from college. John was graduated from Loyola where he majored in English, and Frank from DePaul where he majored in History...Operator JAMES W. PATRICK has been elected worshipful master to preside over Ashlar Lodge #308 of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. Ashlar lodge, located in Craftmens Masonic Temple, 1501 N. Harding street, was chartered in 1859. James will be the 111th master to serve this honorable office and expects to raise several candi-

recent deaths

EDWARD T. BATTEY, 84, North Section,
Emp. 1-30-41, Died 8-26-69
MARTIN J. BEGLEY, 65, West Section,
Emp. 6-17-26, Died 8-15-69
JAMES E. BENNETT, 80, West Section,
Emp. 12-21-23, Died 7-30-69
CHARLES E. BRISOLARA, 59, North Section,
Emp. 8-5-41, Died 9-8-69
JOHN R. BLOOMER, 66, North Park,
Emp. 6-2-28, Died 8-2-69
CONRAD BOSS, 75, Kedzie,
Emp. 1-4-23, Died 9-27-69
WILLIAM BUSK, 76, West Section,
Emp. 4-10-11, Died 9-25-69
KONSTANT BUTKA, 56, 52nd Street,
Emp. 9-27-43, Died 9-23-69
JAMES T. CARNEY, 76, Job Classification,
Emp. 9-15-43, Died 8-12-69
HARRY CHRISTMAN, 86, Lawndale,
Emp. 12-30-19, Died 9-15-69
MICHAEL CONTE, 60, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 6-9-36, Died 7-11-69
RAPHAEL J. COOK, 73, Claim,
Emp. 12-1-32, Died 8-25-69
NICK CORDONE, 69, Track,
Emp. 4-19-27, Died 8-31-69
BENJAMIN CRAWFORD, 91, Burnside,
Emp. 3-20-00, Died 10-8-69
BENJAMIN CZELUSNIAK, 60, Forest Glen,
Emp. 3-3-43, Died 9-12-69
JOHN M. DEGAND, 87, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 1-23-29, Died 10-3-69
SHERMAN DICKSON, 63, Track,
Emp. 8-19-47, Died 10-3-69
JOHN DZIKE, 75, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 7-21-43, Died 9-26-69
HAROLD A. FISCHER, 65, Forest Glen,
Emp. 10-15-25, Died 8-17-69
AUSBIE GILLESPIE, 40, South Section,
Emp. 7-14-66, Died 9-15-69
RAYMOND T. GRAY, 66, Division 241,
Emp. 10-15-24, Died 9-16-69
CLARENCE F. GUSTAFSON, 85, Electrical,
Emp. 6-18-09, Died 8-11-69
FRED HAASE, 63, West Section,
Emp. 8-31-36, Died 8-30-69
JOHN HAMMERSMITH, 53, North Section,
Emp. 1-20-42, Died 10-17-69
CHRIST HELWIG, 78, North Section,
Emp. 11-3-11, Died 7-29-69
THOMAS HENEGHAN, 83, North Avenue,
Emp. 11-29-33, Died 9-2-69
CHARLES A. HEROLD, 63, Limits,
Emp. 2-13-43, Died 9-21-69
HAROLD HODNETT, 57, North Avenue,
Emp. 11-7-42, Died 9-24-69
JOHN T. HOGAN, 65, Claim,
Emp. 6-4-26, Died 9-22-69
JOHN HUIZENGA, 63, Operations Control,
Emp. 11-24-41, Died 8-8-69
GUSTAV O. ISAKSON, 67, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 11-17-24, Died 10-10-69
JOSEPH JARZMIK, 76, North Avenue,
Emp. 6-23-23, Died 8-24-69
LEONARD W. JOHNSON, 79, North Section,
Emp. 9-22-42, Died 10-9-69
LAWRENCE KEATING, 60, Lawndale,
Emp. 3-24-37, Died 10-5-69
AIDEN J. KENNY, 72, Electrical,
Emp. 6-13-29, Died 8-30-69
ERVIN E. KNAPP, 67, 77th Street,
Emp. 5-16-24, Died 8-11-69
CHARLES A. KROPIK, 71, Forest Glen,
Emp. 7-30-23, Died 8-13-69
JOHN KUCHAN, 65, Building,
Emp. 3-23-29, Died 8-23-69

dates to the sublime degree of a master mason...Instructor ART HIGGINS had a hernia operation at St. Francis hospital and at this writing is convalescing satisfactorily...Happy anniversaries are extended to: Operator FRED BOLDT and his wife, AGNES, their 37th; Signal Maintainer JAMES NESBIT and his wife, MARGE, their 31st; Operator STANLEY ZALE, and his wife, MARIE, their 41st, and Operator FRED STOWELL and his wife, WILMA, their 34th...Happy birthdays are extended to Operator BILL STEINSPRING, CAROL, BILLY, and EILEEN STRITZEL, Operator BILL SEIFERT, LEO HARA, VERN WENNERBERG, and Clerk BOB PETERSON...Our sympathy and concolences are extended to the families of Pensioners RAY GRAY and CHARLES HARROLD. I would like to thank everyone for their cards and visits to the chapel, and for being so kind to my mother and family on the recent loss of my father, Mr. FRANK HORNING...Your reporter and all the personnel at North Park wish you and yours a glorious Thanksgiving and hope you remember to give thanks for your many blessings.

- Melvin Horning

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

JOE LAZZARA and his wife celebrated their 41st wedding anniversary. Congratulations to the happy couple and we wish them many more happy years together. . .JIM McBRIDE and his wife drove down south and stopped at Cape Kennedy, St. Petersburg, Miami, and St. Augustine... JOE DeGRAZIA and his wife toured the New England states. ..JAKE SUMNER's son, STEVEN, was married to BARBARA MARTIN on September 6 at St. John of Brebeuf church in Niles, Illinois. They are living temporarily in Champaign while Steven finishes his last semester at the University of Illinois...BOB LaVOIE celebrated his birthday on October 7, and PHILIP LEAHY on October 12...The European trip was enjoyed and will be well remembered by Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT LaVOIE, Mr. and Mrs. WALTER SCHWEINFURTH, Mr. and Mrs. KENNETH MAREK, and your reporter, KAY BATINA. It was a very memorable trip to Spain, Portugal, and London...The sympathy of the department is extended to BILL WORCESTER upon the death of his father.

- Kathryn Batina

NORTH SECTION -

Congratulations to JOHN ZUPKO who was made relief station superintendent at Howard and Kimball Stations on September 28. JIM WALSH will be the p.m. superintendent at 95th street station...JOHN REYNOLDS, the son of MAR-

among employes

EDWARD KUKLINSKI, 80, Lawndale,
Emp. 1-14-12, Died 9-19-69
HAROLD L. LARSON, 68, North Section,
Emp. 11-10-23, Died 10-10-69
KNUTE A. LIKNESS, 65, Campaign Area,
Emp. 6-22-29, Died 8-9-69
OLIVER LIPINSKI, 59, Lawndale,
Emp. 11-5-41, Died 9-1-69
FRED G. LOHSE, 66, Forest Glen,
Emp. 2-21-27, Died 7-31-69
WALTER A. LOVELESS, 64, Training,
Emp. 4-17-29, Died 8-23-69
JOHN LUCAS, 45, Instruction,
Emp. 2-1-49, Died 9-9-69
KELM R. LUSSEN, 69, Wilson Shops,
Emp. 3-20-25, Died 10-10-69
OWEN McGOWAN, 72, North Avenue,
Emp. 11-26-28, Died 8-21-69
JOHN M. McNALLY, 77, South Section,
Emp. 12-11-22, Died 9-14-69
EDWARD J. MICHAELS, 71, District "B",
Emp. 3-11-24, Died 9-3-69
IGNATIUS M. MITCHELL, 60, Archer,
Emp. 2-13-51, Died 9-5-69
HENRY T. MOSS, 82, 77th Street,
Emp. 12-19-12, Died 8-11-69
PATRICK J. MOSTYN, 77, North Section,
Emp. 6-28-20, Died 9-24-69
MICHAEL MUCHA, 78, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 5-27-47, Died 9-4-69
JOHN C. MURPHY, 82, North Avenue,
Emp. 4-3-03, Died 8-14-69
JOSEPH NAVERAUSKAS, 76, South Shops,
Emp. 6-1-58, Died 9-18-69
CHRISTIAN M. NIELSEN, 79, South Shops,
Emp. 7-9-51, Died 9-28-69
JOHN L. NIEMIEC, 57, Archer,
Emp. 9-14-48, Died 8-27-69
WALTER NOBLE, 63, South Section,
Emp. 12-30-27, Died 9-22-69
FRANK X. ORTNER, 84, North Avenue,
Emp. 10-25-17, Died 9-8-69
IRWIN PARMAN, 72, West Section,
Emp. 9-1-42, Died 10-10-69
MICHAEL F. PFEFFER, 81, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 5-13-26, Died 7-31-69
JACOB RAFFEL, 85, 77th Street,
Emp. 6-1-05, Died 8-1-69
ROBERT W. REICHERT, 73, 69th Street,
Emp. 12-15-26, Died 9-25-69
EDWARD RICH, 70, Office Services,
Emp. 3-2-21, Died 8-4-69
ANTON RUTH, 72, Track & Struct.,
Emp. 9-3-29, Died 9-2-69
RAYMOND M. SANFORD, 67, North Section,
Emp. 1-11-37, Died 8-25-69
HENRY T. SAWYER, 66, Police,
Emp. 1-11-27, Died 8-15-69
JOSEPH G. SERCKIE, 74, 61st Street,
Emp. 4-21-15, Died 8-24-69
DENIS SHANNON, 80, Electrical,
Emp. 9-20-10, Died 9-2-69
STANLEY SKLADZIEN, 74, West Shops,
Emp. 4-16-19, Died 8-14-69
FRANCIS M. SULLIVAN, 80, 77th Street,
Emp. 1-18-22, Died 10-7-69
JAMES TRUHLAR, 60, Police,
Emp. 1-8-34, Died 9-2-69
HARRY E. VOLLRATH, 73, Electrical,
Emp. 6-3-35, Died 8-6-69
CORNELIUS F. WADE, 82, Division,
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TIN REYNOLDS, who was graduated from St. Benedicts High school in June, 1968, and went into service in August, 1968, was injured in Viet Nam in July by a hand grenade. He was hit in the jaw and leg and awarded the purple heart. John is now recuperating in Guam...JANE JOHNSON's son, RUSSELL, went into the Navy in March and is now serving on an oil tender in Hawaii...MARGARET McBRIDE spent her four-week vacation visiting former Loop Agent MARGARET DONAGHER who now lives in Los Angeles, California. She also visited Disneyland and many other places of interest. Margaret said she would like to live there when she retires...FRED LEDDER wants to thank all who contributed to the gift he received when he took his pension on September 1...PAUL LANZ wishes to thank everyone for the cards and calls during his stay in the hospital and while convalescing at home...MARIE TOWNSEND is retiring on October 1 and plans to go to California around Christmas. There is a rumor going around that she might get married. Do I hear wedding bells, Marie? We are going to miss that gal, but hope she has a long and happy retirement...North Section Ticket Agent JANICE SMITH was married on August 30 to KENNETH INGRAM. Janice was given in marriage by her father, DAVE SMITH, of the Engineering Department. A reception followed which was attended by many of her CTA friends. Her uncle, JAMES PATE, is financial secretary of Division 241...JOHN ZUPKO's little league team completed the season undefeated, winning the pennant and series and two trophies...I hear that HUGH HEGARTY became engaged in August to CATHERINE HARNETT of Skokie Shops...Former Ticket Agent CARMEL STANTON, who is happily married and now living in Ireland, gave birth to a 7 pound 7 ounce baby girl in August... AMY DOREEN HORN has been accepted for the position of Loop assignment agent...ED PLATH and his wife left Chicago on August 16 for a two-week vacation. They went through Wisconsin, Minnesota, Idaho, and North and South Dakota traveling 5,200 miles. They also celebrated their 28th wedding anniversary on September 13. Ed also celebrated 29 years with the CTA on October 5...GERDA MATHEWS had a birthday on September 17 but refused to tell how old she was...ANNABELLE DREW and her daughter, PHYLLIS, spent several days at Niagara Falls. They also traveled to Toronto where they visited the Canadian National Exhibition, and to Montreal. Annabelle said she saw many beautiful sights and had a very restful vacation... Mr. ATHENS drove his two daughters, KAREN and SHARON, to Oklahoma university in September and spent a week there with them...Our annual reporter's dinner was held at the M&M Club on September 12 with 47 in attendance. Everyone had a wonderful time and the dinner was delicious...JACK and LOUISE NELSON are the proud parents of a baby boy. I didn't get his name, but congratulations,

AT A RECENT rodeo in Spooner, Wisconsin, Pensioner HARRY W. ANTONION had the privilege of having his picture taken with FESTUS of the TV show Gunsmoke. Harry was a conductor on the South Section.

anyway...Your scribe and her husband left on September 20 for a week's vacation visiting her three sisters in Michigan...Former Agent M. CALDERON was made a receiver last May...E. MURPHY took a trip to Denver, Colorado, to see Former Agent SHARON MURPHY and his new grandson...RICKY FOSTER gave a farewell party for FEDELMA HENRY's son, BRYON, who left for Dublin, Ireland, to attend school there. Fedelma accompanied her son to New York to see him off...THELMA ZINNEGAR's daughter, MICHELENE, was married on November 9 to RICHARD KALHANGE at Kingdom Hall in Morton Grove with a reception following the ceremony. Thelma also spent a weekend near New Albany, Indiana, recently...DICK STANTON is in Ravenswood hospital with ulcers. Get well soon, Dick... GLADYS ARMONDA took her pension on November 1. We all wish her a long and healthy retirement. MARIE TOWNSEND wants me to thank all the lovely people who helped to make her last day, September 30, such a happy one. A few friends joined her at the restaurant next door to bid her farewell...PEARL LANOFF would like to thank all the girls who sent flowers to her husband while he was in the hospital. They were greatly appreciated...H. BADE has been promoted from a janitor to a fulltime clerk...JAMES ZEPP and HARRY HORN have been made supervisors...Welcome to our new janitors FRUNICIONE and LOMBARDO...Your reporter's son, NORMAN MADSEN, left Germany October 2 and paid us a surprise visit on October 15. He will be discharged from the service in March.

- Grace Mounts

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

September 12 was the day of the annual scribes dinner which was held at the M&M Club. I would like to thank management for the invitation to the dinner and also for the gift. There was a very large turnout this year and it looked like everyone had a good time...Only a few went on vacation and took advantage of the last nice days of summer. White Bear Lake in Minnesota was the location chosen by CHARLES BATTERSON and his wife, DOLORES, for their vacation. Here they spent two weeks enjoying the good weather, fishing, and horseback riding. Charlie gave a horse named Billie Joe a good workout, as riding is one of his favorite pastimes...JAMES TUCKER began his vacation in New Orleans. Upon his arrival he found the streets and sidewalks quite empty and couldn't imagine why until he got out of his car. The temperature was 108 degrees, and like everyone else, he went inside where there was air-conditioning. During the week he rode the streetcars and spent some time on the bus property there. It was then on to Dallas and a visit with relatives and friends. His last stops were at Nashville and Lebanon, Tennessee, where he has some relatives and also visited the Music Hall of Fame. This was a very nice trip, especially since there wasn't a drop of rain during the entire trip...In September, Mr. and Mrs. RAY DAGENAIS went on their second honeymoon. They drove to Las Vegas and Reno, Nevada, and saw some good shows, Portland, Oregon, and then to Seattle, Washington, and a ride to the top of the space needle. They continued on to Vancouver and Victoria, B.C., where they found the Butcharts Gardens so interesting and beautiful that they spent an entire day there. After three weeks of beautiful weather and about 9,000 miles of pretty scenery they returned home from a wonderful trip...There are now three ANDREWS in the STOLTMAN family. On September 27, ANDY's son, ANDREW, announced the arrival of 8 pound ANDREW ANTHONY. Congratulations to the grandparents, parents, and the new baby...Best wishes for a complete and speedy recovery are extended to BILLIE SLANKARD, information clerk, BRUNO GORSKI, line supervisor, and Mrs. JUNE QUETSCHKE, all who recently underwent surgery and are now convalescing at home. We hope to see all of you smiling and full of pep and energy real soon...The new steno in our department is KATHY KRUEGER who transferred from the Training and Accident Prevention Department. Good luck in your new job, Kathy, we're happy to have you with us again...The sympathy of the Transportation Department is extended to the family of RAYMOND M. SANFORD, retired assistant station superintendent, North Section, who passed away August 25, and to FINN THULSTRUP, retired assistant general superintendent of Transportation, on the loss of his wife, GERTRUDE...Congratulations to KEVIN J. CALT, the son of Central District Supervisor OWEN CALT, who is a sophomore at Illinois Institute of Technology and the winner of an air force financial assistance grant. Kevin has worked at the Howard street yards during the last three summers.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

During his vacation GLENN ANDERSEN acted as a guide showing relatives from Oslo, Norway, around the City of Chicago. They were very much impressed with our city and said it wasn't anything like they expected it to be. Glenn spent the balance of his vacation going on short trips.

(Traffic Planning) -

JIM TOOLIS and his wife, ROSE, and their family headed west for a three-week vacation. Among many of the places visited were Yellowstone National Park, the Redwood Forest, and the Black Hills. They rode a cable car in San Francisco, and another must while visiting California was going to Disneyland. Some time was also spent swimming, relaxing in the sun, and touring through the State of California. The temperature ranged from 75 to 80 degrees during the trip, which helped to make it a very nice vacation...Congratulations to VINCE and IRENE DONOHUE who became the proud parents of a baby girl. On September 25, DIANE MARIE was born weighing 6 pounds 5 ounces. With the new arrival, the count is now two girls and four boys... SANDY H. TERMAN, traffic planning technician, resigned on August 29 to go into a business partnership. Good luck and best wishes for a successful future...ROSE TOOLIS recently entered the hospital for surgery and we are happy to report that she is now home and well on her way to recovery. JAMES J. ROCHE was a little nervous as he walked down the aisle, but he was a happy and proud father. On August 9 his daughter, MARY ALICE, exchanged marriage

vows with JOSEPH COOLEY at St. Edwards church. Congratulations and best of luck to the newlyweds...We would like to express our condolences to the families of GEORGE ISDALE whose father recently passed away, GENE SPROVIERI on the loss of his brother, and to LARRY HEISE and FRANK GOODRICH who both lost their mothers-in-law.

- Colette Szczepanek

SKOKIE SHOPS -

CATHERINE ANN HARNETT, clerk, has had a most wonderful summer. She spent a whole month in Ireland, a trip she has wanted to take for a long time. Her stories make all of us want to take a trip there. On August 25, her birthday, it became a double celebration when Catherine Ann and HUGH HEGARTY, North Section Trainman, announced their engagement. Nuptials are planned for April, 1970. Best of luck, and our sincerest congratulations to you both...Our congratulations, with a sad parting, was the leaving of PAT DUNEK, Technical Services, who transferred to the Training and Accident Prevention Department in the Mart. Our loss is their gain. Best of luck, Pat... MARIA VENTICINQUE, typist, is out of the hospital and recuperating at home. Get well soon, Maria...DON VILLA, electrical apprentice, and his wife proudly announced the birth of a daughter, TRACI MARIE, born on September 11 and weighing 7 pounds 11 ounces. They also have a son, SCOTT, who was three years old in July...HERB LINDQUIST, electrical foreman, proudly announced that he and his wife are grandparents again. MICHAEL SCOTT LINDQUIST arrived on August 25 to RONALD and BARBARA LINDQUIST who reside in Virginia Beach, Virginia...An event which happens to so few in their lifetime is that of becoming a great-grandfather. JOSEPH DECKER, electrical foreman, and his wife became the proud great-grandparents of a baby girl. Joe has promised us a picture of the four generations as soon as possible...STANLEY RAVEN, electrical worker, and his wife spent their vacation taking in the sights of Niagara Falls. They reported a beautiful sight and a wonderful time.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

September was a real busy and exciting month. The new Lake-Dan Ryan line opened on September 28 and we have a new terminal office, and shops at 95th street. The facilities are real classy and the trains are all modern. We have over 100 new men, so our South Section is really growing. Good luck to our new Dan Ryan line...We had changes in our superintendent force. The 95th street terminal is manned by STANLEY CHRIST, a.m. assistant station superintendent, and JIM WALSH, p.m. assistant station superintendent. DON LEMM transferred from the West Section to become p.m. assistant station superintendent for 61st Street-Ashland, and ROBERT DESVIGNES was appointed relief station superintendent. Congratulations to all...Our supervisor appointments with the opening of the new line are: Motormen DAVID CURRY, THOMAS HUGHES, BERNARD WILLIAMS, and DALE SLEDGE. Conductors JOSEPH C. JOHNSON and ROBERT MORTON were appointed clerks, and VICTOR UTARA was appointed clerk from the West Section. Best wishes to our new appointees. ..On disability pensions as of September 1 are Conductor JIMMIE WHITTAKER and Janitor JOHN CURTIS, and Conductor JAMES GALLAGHER on October 1. All had been on the sick list for several months. We wish them improved health...Motorman CARL FISCHER, Ashland avenue, also took his pension on October 1. Carl sure doesn't look of pension age. We are losing an excellent employe, but we wish him a long and happy retired life...It is nice to see Conductor MOSES GILES and Agents SHIRLEY ANDERSON and LOLA WAKEFIELD back to work and off the sick list... Agent ANTOINETTE STIPATI and Assignment Agent LILLIAN CULLINAN took the CTA trip to Spain and had a wonderful time. They said Spain was an unusual and beautiful country...Now we'll welcome some of our new employes: Conductors TRELWA ASHTON, STEPHEN BEARD, PAUL BREWSTER, JAMES DAUGHERTY, MAURICE DIXON, ROOSEVELT DUNCAN, HORACE GRAYSON, DWIGHT LAMB, HARVEY McCLINTON, GRIFFITH MORTER, HARVEY PATTERSON, CHARLES TOWNSEND, LEVERN WHEELER, HAROLD WILLIAMS, TIMOTHY BOWERS, ROBERT WILLIAMS, WALTER APPLEWHITE, WALTER BURCH, JOSEPH DAVIS, LEE DODD, WILLIAM GRAY, and ROBERT GREEN. . .Congratulations to Conductor JOHN KALTSAS whose daughter, JOAN, was married to JAMES MILLER on August 17. A reception for 400 people was held at Chateau Busche. Best wishes to the happy couple...Retired Agent MAE DRISCOLL and her sister took a trip to New York to see their nephew get married, and then they went to Hot Springs, Arkansas, to take the baths...We were shocked to hear that Janitor AUSBIE GILLESPIE, who had been on the sick list for several months, passed away. Our sincere condolences to his wife and children...Agent VELMA HUSBAND and her hubby vacationed up in St. Paul, Minnesota, and said it was good to get away from the hustle and bustle of Chicago. While there they went fishing...Also "hi" to newly hired Agents GENORA COLEMAN, BOBBIE KIDD, ALLENE BOSTON, GLORIA WATTS, DIANN HILL, and ROSA MOORE, and transferees from the Surface Division PRYDE FIELDS, ROBERT CUNNINGHAM, and ALEX SINGLETON, and newly-hired Janitors HENRY DAVIS, JOHN APOSTOLAS, WILLIAM BROWN, SAMMIE WARDLOW, SILAS RANSOME, and RICHARD BROWN.

The Agent's Pension Club autumn dinner was held on September 21 at the Beverly Woods restaurant and everyone had an enjoyable time renewing acquaintances and friendships. The pensioners looked hale and hearty. Every dinner they get younger looking. The food was delicious as usual, oops--there went the old diet again...Former South Section Agent JEAN GUSTAFSON, who works on the North Section now, wishes to thank everyone for their kindness to

PICTURED HERE is pretty DOROTHY JOAN KALTSAS, the daughter of Conductor and Mrs. JOHN KALTSAS, South Section, who was united in marriage to JAMES MILLER on August 17.

her when her mother passed away recently...The strangest things are turned in to the lost and found department. Recently a live Australian Gerbil (looks like a hamster) and cage was found at one of our stations and we at 61st street mothered the Gerbil and fed him and tried to find someone to take it. We had it for a few days and then Agent FANNIE WILLIAMS took the Gerbil for her two little boys who have two other Gerbils at home. It would have been real cute if it didn't have a tail like a rat. I'm glad he found a good home. . .Chief Clerk JIM MARTINEK and his wife, DOROTHY, vacationed in Mexico, touring Mexico City and Acapulco. They like Mexico and said Acapulco was beautiful with all the flowers and beaches. They even went to the bullfights...Retired Agent SARAH McEVOY and her brother, Retired Shopman PAT, vacationed in Ireland for five weeks and enjoyed the trip...Our condolences to Conductor STANLEY KIELDYK and Janitor ALFRED BERRY on the loss of their mothers...A quick recovery is wished to Motorman ANTHONY JAGLA, Conductors JOHN KALTSAS and EARTHON JOHNSON, and Clerk JOSEPH BRENNAN who were in the hospital, but are home now recuperating...Received a letter from Retired Conductor WARREN "Sam" HILL who lives in Port Charlotte, Florida, and everything is fine with him. He says to tell everyone "hello" and he sent a newspaper clipping which told that a former employe, Switchman DANIEL McBRIDE Jr., and his wife who lived in Sarasota, Florida, were killed in the crash of their single-engine airplane. Dan is the son of deceased Motorman DANIEL McBRIDE Sr. Our condolences to his mother, Mrs. McBRIDE, and the McBride children...Retired Towerman PAT HICKEY and his wife, GERT, took a trip to Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, and stayed at the famous Abbey Lodge. ..So long to our part-time help for the summer who have returned to school: Conductors CHARLES WILLIAMS, ROBERT ROBERSON, LEE TOWNES, WILLIAM STALLWORTH, GREGORY GUEST, DONNIE REEVES, PHILIP WHITE, and WILLIAM WHITENHILL, Agents SHELDIA HORN, CYNTHIA TUKES, HENRY WEST, GREGORY BOND, GREGORY CULBERSON, HELEN GALLAGHER, and ARDIS MORRIS Jr.

- Verna Hartney

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD BRZECZEK, the son of your reporter, RAY BRZECZEK, Wilson, on the birth of their third child. The future All-American named KEVIN MARTIN was born on September 13 and tipped the scales at 7 pounds 3 ounces...Our condolences to the family of AL BOLING, Congress, whose father passed away, and also to the family of SAM MILAZZO, Congress, whose mother passed away...A hearty thank you from MATTHEW BUCHANAN, Wilson, to all of his co-workers for their kindness during his recent illness...A small party was given in honor of R. ERWIN who retired after 23 years of service. H. DICKERSON, acting foreman, presented him with his retirement folder and a check from all the boys at Kimball...After 29 years of service, MIKE FELTON, Wilson, retired on October 1. Mike bid farewell to all of his friends at a coffee and roll gathering...Moving along the promotion line are H. P. LOVELESS, assistant foreman at the 98th Street Shop, and SHELDON RITA, assistant foreman at Forest Park. M. COYLE is the new foreman at the 98th Street Shop. J. LaBELLARTE and L. DAVENPORT moved into instructor positions...New "B" repairmen are C. McEWEN and V. LINDSEY, while E. SHIELDS and D. WITTENBERG stepped up to "A" repairmen at Congress... M. VASQUEZ transferred to Congress as assistant foreman...E. SHIELDS, Q. BONDS, and W. THORNTON moved to the new shops at 98th street, along with L. STEWART and R. L. SMITH...A. CITRO moved along to Forest Park, while D. LINDSEY, G. VAN NORMAN, and L. FIELD are calling Kimball their new home...Sharing vacation-time stories with co-workers are A. ODROWSKI, W. McKAY, and D. MARLEY, Kimball...Enjoying Indian summer vacations are: G. SMEROS, F. STOEHRMAN, and F. PAYNE, Kimball; R. LAUDANSKI, J. HENDERSON, M. O'MALLEY, F. RAKSTIS, L. COLLINS, M. GALLAGHER, J. BUTZEN, J. HENNELLY, F. LAKICH, J. RAND, and M. BUCHANAN, Wilson.

- Ray Brzeczek

WEST SECTION -

Motorman PATRICK MEANEY spent his vacation in Vienna and London. Pat said that he had a language barrier problem in Vienna, but other than that he had a wonderful time...Collector LARRY LATHAM took his family fishing up in Ontario, Canada. He said the fish where bigger then me. Ha-Ha. Well, his son, MARK, out-fished him. I guess they where afraid of dad's line. They must have thought it was a whale with a fishing pole in his hand. . .My Co-reporter, SANTO, and I attended the Transit News reporter's dinner. And thanks to our host, BOB HEINLEIN, editor of the Transit News, we all had a lovely evening. Mr. GEORGE DeMENT, chairman of the Board, gave us some fine words of wit. But that wasn't the highlight of the evening, for at our table we had Mrs. HELEN PALLISTER, retired reporter (agents), who kept us in laughter the whole evening. Enjoy that leisure time, Helen, we all miss you. A notice to Reporters VERNA HARTNEY and MELVIN HORNING, Santo and I will be pushing for the guest of honor spot next year. You both did a fine job. Congratulations!.. Motorman P. NAUGHTON's daughter, TERRI, was made a cheerleader at Roosevelt High school. I hope they win all their games for Terri might get angry and take on the opponents single handed. She's a crack student of Karate...A speedy recovery to Agent VERNELL JACKSON. Get back to work soon, somebody else has to work your tricks...Conductor T. KING received word from his son, 2nd Lt. EDWARD KING, that jump school is coming along fine. He's stationed at Ft. Walter, Texas...We lost another one of our finest men, Motorman E. HOWARD, who took his pension. Best of luck, Howard. . .Conductor G. WOODMORE has stopped bringing those sweet rolls in the mornings and the fellows now have to work on an empty stomach. Gee, George, we are starving. Can't you start bringing them again?..We want to congratulate J. FRANKLIN, K. BROWN, and N. COMAN on their promotion to supervisor. Good luck, gents...We lost former Motorman JOE SCHMACKER to the Shops Department. Good luck, Joe, in your new assignment. . .Conductor H. COLDING returned to Lake street again. I guess he was so anxious to get started on the new pick that it took him almost 20 minutes to open his locker to get his equipment out. It was f-u-n-n-y...Oh, by the way, there are two PAYNE's on Lake street now. WILLIAM claims he is the original, so I guess that means he was there when the 4000 trains came out...Motorman R. SHONDER found a lost puppy, but the dog couldn't understand his commands, R. Shonder is Polish, and the dog he found was a Mexican Chihuahua. No speek-a-English... Conductor W. MITCHELL says that people are trying to stop smoking, but he can't explain his urge to start after all these years as a non-smoker (cough)...Hurray, hurray,

we went all the way to 95th street. Those were the words of praise by Motorman J. PEZZULO and Conductor K. SMALLING as they took the trip officially on the new Lake-Dan Ryan route. And let me say that all the personnel as well as the public, were elated with the new line. Thanks to management for a swell ride and job well done. It's like going to the moon. A passenger boarded the train at 35th Street station and made three trips with me, he said he was going to take the "L" to work from now on and he didn't want to get lost. He said the only reason he was getting off then was that it was time for dinner, but he wanted to let the company know that he was very, very satisfied with the new line. We on Lake street want to extend to our South Side co-workers a warm hearted welcome. For our home is your home. We believe in teamwork...Happy birthday greetings to W. FLOYD and W. BATTLES...Everytime that Conductor L. GILES goes out the door, he comes back with a bag of food. He says he's a growing boy. Whow, what a tapeworm he has...Co-reporter Santo Siciliano thought that he had to keep up with his teenage son's fad, so he thought that by wearing sideburns it would make him look younger. But really, Santo, who cares. You are already over thirty... Pensioner WILLIAM BUSK, formerly of Garfield Park, passed away on September 25 at the age of 75. Our sincere condolences to his family...Bye gang, see you next month.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

69TH STREET -

I wish to thank everyone for their concern for my health during my recent illness. Everything turned out fine, and I am now ready to listen in on any juicy stories or bits of news. You may not recognize me as I have gained 22 pounds since I quit smoking. So put some news in that black mail box, please...Mrs. YOUNG, MICKEY is still on his best behavior or else he is sneaking around behind my back. His brother-in-law, ED STEFFAN, took his wife, EDNA, on a grand tour of Europe. They flew to London and then to Amsterdam. From there they went by bus through Germany, Lichtenstein, Switzerland, Bavaria, Austria, Rome, Italy, and then to Paris...Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD CAWLEY took a five-week tour of Ireland, Scotland, England, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, and France. While enroute to England, they met former loader DANNY CAREW...Receiver W. GOURNOE claims that FRAIL could louse up a one-car funeral...Receiver ELMER GOBIELLE had a prostrate operation. To all those who are off sick we wish you a speedy recovery and better health...April 25 was a big day for ALLEN BROWN and his wife, YVONNE. They became the parents of a 7 pound 5 ounce baby girl named ALANA YVONNE...On September 12, PATRICK SEAN was born to Operator TOM and BREEGE REILLY and weighed 9 pounds 4 ounces. This is their third child, and Breege is only 5 feet tall and weighs about 100 pounds. Their son, BILLY, was three years old on October 1...In the month of November, the VALLONI family will celebrate four birthdays: CYNTHIA will be 13 on the 8th, DONALD will be 31 on the 10th, RICHARD will be 36 on the 18th, and on November 25, Sam's mother-in-law will be 100 years old. May she be blessed with good health and happiness for many more...From the Repair Department JIM AHERN reports that Pensioner CON CROWLEY paid them a visit and looks fine and to tell all of his friends hello...JIM AUSTIN, p.m. foreman, is hospitalized and we wish him a speedy recovery...LEO GLOMBICKI, RONNIE JOY, and JIMMY MALONEY went on a week's fishing trip. We hope that they do as well as RAY SCHEID. He could hardly bring them all back from Rhinelander, Wisconsin...TOM TOOMEY now lives in Denver, Colorado, and likes it fine...HARVEY BROCK and SAM WASHINGTON took in the warm weather and scenery down in Tennessee...TOM THORPE, carpenter, recently retired and we wish him and his wife many years of happiness...ERNIE TOCCI, DICK WARNING, and PADDY FITZGERALD paid us a visit. The very best to all of you retired fellows and let's hear from you. . .WENDELL JONES, the son of ANDY JONES, is attending the University of Utah majoring in physics. May he turn out to be as good a man as his father.

THIS IS beautiful SANDRA CLAUSEN, Electrical Department, who was feted at a luncheon in the M & M Club by her co-workers prior to her marriage on November 1 to RONALD PFEIFFER at Queen of the Universe church. Sandra is the daughter of MEL CLAUSEN, Claim Department.

- Arthur P. Buesing

77TH STREET -

The long wait for the Dan Ryan median strip opening became a reality on September 28. To the surprise of management, the operation was a smashing success to say the least. Congratulations are in order for everyone connected in bringing this modern transportation facility to the South Side...Due to the recent shift of personnel from 77th street to Beverly station, we lost some of our old buddies. Good luck, fellows, we will miss you...Operator W. WALKER and his family are vacationing in good old Los Angeles...Operator HORN and his family drove their daughter to Chadron, Nebraska, where she will be attending Chadron college. Good old dad...We were sorry to hear that our old buddy, SAMUEL GRAHAM, was a recent hold-up victim. The bandit even took Graham's sweater...They have a new name for BEN GULLY around the station. It is "Old Silver", because he is hoarding all the silver coins he collects...It was my pleasure to attend the annual Transit News dinner along with my Co-reporter AMOS FOSTER. It was my first, and I must say, I am looking forward to next year's dinner already...We worked out with the basketball team and I must admit that we really have the nucleus for a good team. ..The 77th Street bowling league is off to a good start this year, and the bowlers are eagerly awaiting the beer frames...We were sorry to hear that our good friend and old buddy RONALD PHILPOT had resigned. Philpot had a lot on the ball and certainly will be missed. He did a great job this summer with the softball league, and had a lot of other good ideas for the athletic department of our union. His successor will be A. R. BRAY of Beverly station...Fellows, I am again making a plea for news items so we can keep our column alive. There is a box on the wall near the superintendents office for your convenience.

- Elcosie Gresham

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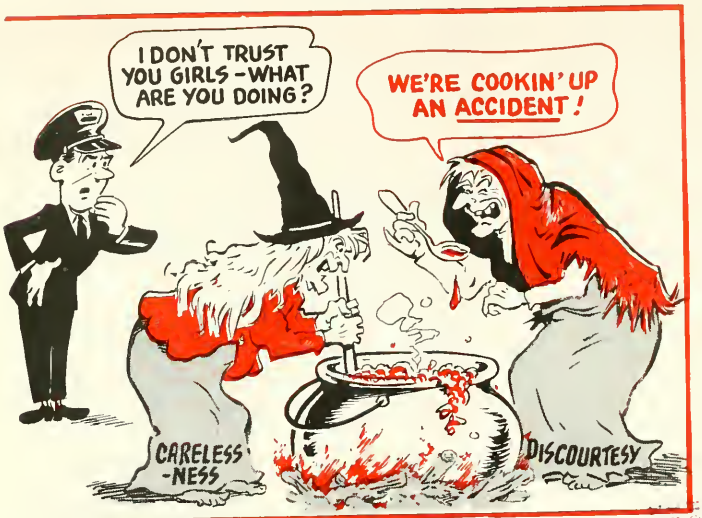

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J. D. Murphy, Transit Board Member, Taken by Death

JOSEPH D. MURPHY, 78, a member of Chicago Transit Board since 1958 and vice chairman of the investment banking firm of Stifel, Nicolaus & company, died December 11 at Presbyterian-St. Lukes hospital.

Mayor Richard J. Daley appointed Mr. Murphy for a seven-year term as a member of the Board in October, 1958. After expiration of this term on September 1, 1965, he was reappointed for another seven-year term expiring September 1, 1972.

Mr. Murphy started working in 1909 as a messenger with the Harris Trust & Savings bank. Three years later he left this field to enter the securities business. In 1931 he opened the Chicago office of Stifel, Nicolaus & company, became president in 1940, and was named vice chairman in February, 1969.

In 1933, he helped to work out the refunding of 86 million dollars in county bonds that were in default. He was instrumental in obtaining 7 million dollars in financing for the system of state armory buildings in small Illinois towns.

Mr. Murphy developed the financing of the new Mackinac Straits bridge in Michigan, and was one of a small group who developed the plan for financing O'Hare International airport.

In addition to his wife, Jane O'Connell Murphy, he is survived by a daughter, Jane (Mrs. Henry L.) Sanderson, and two grandchildren, Cynthia and Deborah Sanderson.

Mass for Mr. Murphy was said Monday, December 15, at St. Francis Xavier church in LaGrange, Illinois. Interment was at Queen of Heaven cemetery, Hillside, Illinois.

Six Named to New Posts at Operating Stations

SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL at surface system operating stations were affected by the appointment of six CTA employes to new positions effective December 1.

In a bulletin issued by Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn and approved by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser, C. W. Gibes was named station superintendent of 69th Street Station, replacing T. F. Screen who retired. Also named to new posts were G. D. Peyton, 77th Street Station a.m. assistant superintendent; F. A. Wsol, 77th Street Station p.m. assistant superintendent; W. A. Schweitzer, 77th Street and 69th Street Stations relief superintendent; J. S. Petrosius, Lawndale and Archer Stations relief superintendent, and A. C. Tabel, Lawndale Station senior instructor.

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Five CTAers Receive Public Service Citations

FIVE CTA employes recently received recognition for their contributions as public service employes during 1968.

Each of the five were presented certificates by the Superior Public Service Awards Program, which had considered the names of nominated employes from public service agencies throughout the United States for its top awards. Nominees for the award were screened by a planning committee and candidates in each of five categories were selected for further consideration by a panel of prominent citizens. The five categories include the professional, clerical, public safety, general service, and supervisory groups.

Nominees from CTA were not among the ten persons selected for top awards, but a certificate in each of the categories was awarded by General Manager T. B. O'Connor to the following CTAers:

Frank Misek, supervisor of transit research planning, was cited as the outstanding professional employe. He played an important part in the effective rearrangement of bus routes to serve the Dan Ryan, Kennedy, and Englewood rapid transit extensions.

Regina Daren, medical secretary, was cited as the outstanding clerical employe. She won the "Best Suggester" award for the years 1967 and 1968 by submitting the greatest number of accepted suggestions and has contributed 23 years of efficient service in the Medical Department.

Mary Clarke, retired supervisor of the accident statistical section, was cited as the outstanding public safety employe. Up to her retirement early this year she contributed almost 46 years of knowledge, enthusiasm, and effort to accident reduction. She deserves much of the credit for CTA's outstanding safety improvements.

Kenneth Peterson, iron worker, was cited as the outstanding general service employe. High skills are demanded of iron workers and he possesses them to an extremely high degree. He has performed his duties reliably and energetically and has shown considerable leadership on the job as well as in numerous civic organizations in his community.

Dwight Turner, assistant foreman of plant and equipment maintenance, was cited as the outstanding supervisory employe. His selection was based on a steady advancement to the position of assistant foreman plus considerable involvement in civic organizations.

Mr. O'Connor congratulated the five certificate recipients and expressed the pride which CTA has in them, as well as the many other fine employes of the Authority.

Nominations for the 1969 Superior Public Service Awards will be made in the near future and CTA management is hopeful that one of its employes will be among the top award winners.

Shown above accepting their certificates from Mr. O'Connor are (from left) Mary Clarke, Regina Daren, Frank Misek, and Kenneth Peterson. Mr. Turner was not available at the time of the presentation.

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin, CTA Medical Consultant

HARDENING OF THE ARTERIES (Arteriosclerosis) EVERYBODY'S DISEASE

THE TERMS above, in addition to atherosclerosis, essentially describe the same condition, so they will be used accordingly in this article.

Our arteries are essential for good health, because as pipelines they carry nourishment to the various organs of the body. If the arteries are clogged up or narrowed by deposits of cholesterol, calcium, or other minerals plus infection, they cannot carry the proper amount of blood to the organs. As a result, deterioration of the tissues begins and disease of the affected organs occurs. A very true but simple example can be drawn from poor farm crops when they do not get enough water. The same situation is seen when the plumbing in an old building gets clogged up.

Hardening of the arteries usually begins gradually in childhood and most of us have it. This condition dates back 5,000 years and yet it is surprising how little we know about this subject, especially since some 500,000 Americans will die as a result of it every year.

Arteriosclerosis is an important disease because it involves most of the arteries of the body at one time or another, most notably those of the brain, heart, kidneys, and extremities. For example, in the brain it may lead to a stroke or apoplexy, in the heart to coronary thrombosis, in the kidneys to a form of Brights disease, and in the legs to gangrene or pain even with moderate walking. Atherosclerosis is the basis of all these serious bodily ailments.

Some of the causes or factors to be considered in the development and prevention of arteriosclerosis are:

1. Heredity - we know heredity plays a part in its production. In certain families, generation after generation die early in life with coronary heart disease and elevated amounts of fat in their blood.

2. High blood pressure - this condition hastens arteriosclerosis because the increased pressure tends to force more of the blood constituents into the walls of the arteries.

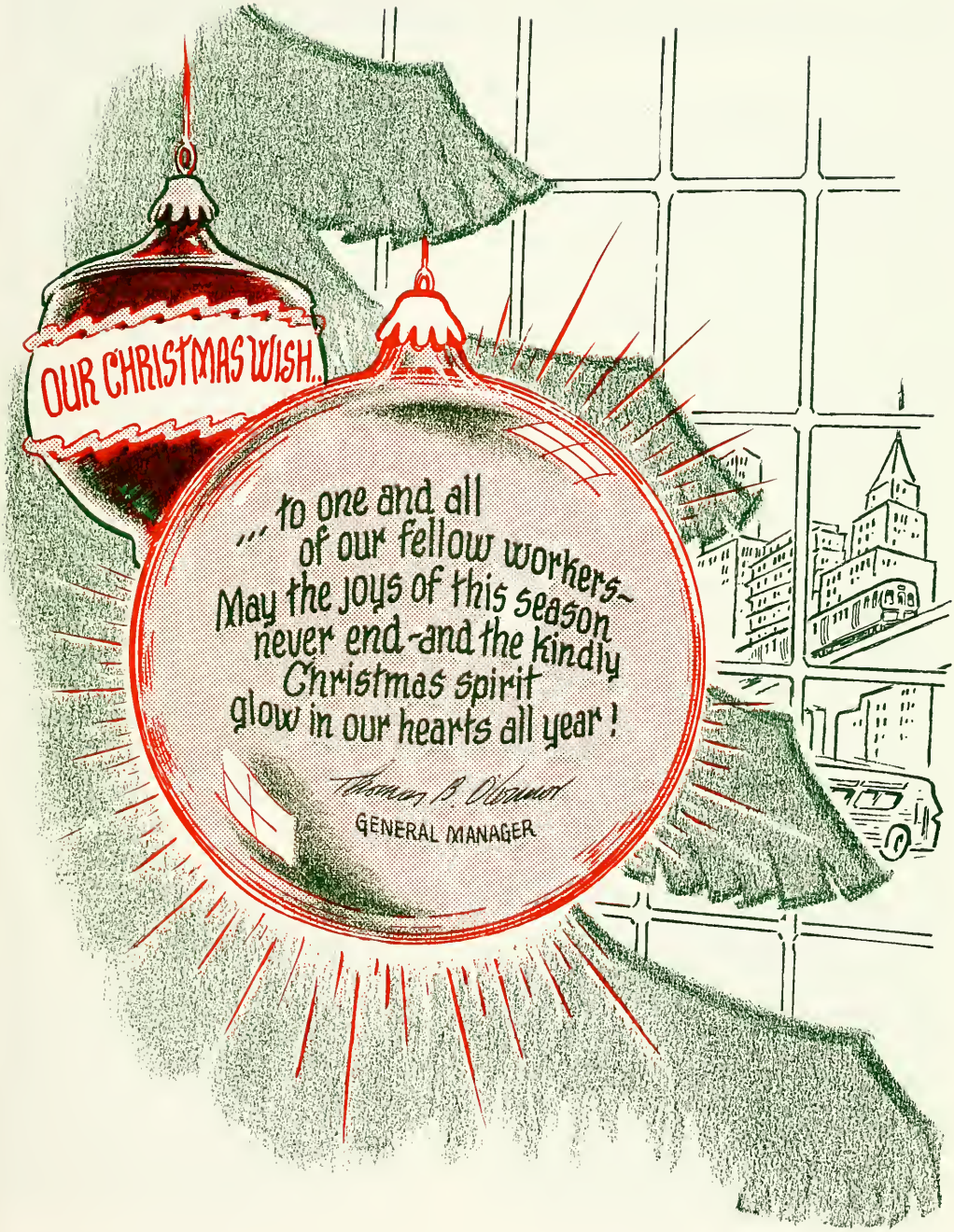
3. Exercise - the evidence that exercise retards arteriosclerosis is not too convincing. Even in the absence of scientific proof about this matter, it seems sensible that our body hygiene will be better off if we get regular and reasonably active exercise. It may be compared to taking a cocktail before dinner to dissolve the cholesterol in your arteries. It may not be true but it is relaxing.

4. Stress - seems to be a factor in this disease. Stress, both emotional and physical may, over a long period of time, produce contraction and narrowing of the blood vessels which favors clot formation and arteriosclerosis.

5. Sex - this factor is significant. Statistics prove that there is a difference in the death rate from arteriosclerosis of about three men to one woman. This is generally ascribed to the female hormones. However, after the change of life in women the development of arteriosclerosis incidence parallels that of man more closely.

6. Diet - is the most talked-about cause of this condition. It is generally assumed that excessive eating leads to obesity which in turn leads to arteriosclerosis. It seems that the kind of fat in the diet is one thing which helps to determine the level of cholesterol and fat in the blood. Briefly, the fats of vegetable origin tend to depress rather than elevate blood fats. These are known as unsaturated fats. On the other hand, the animal fats known as saturated fat tend to elevate blood pressure. There is a good deal of experimental work going on in this field and undoubtedly in the years to come we will have a better understanding of the relationship between diet and arteriosclerosis.

Treatment of arteriosclerosis in this article will be confined mostly to these preventative aspects: (1) Reduce your weight if you are obese--it can never do any harm and may help a great deal. (2) If cholesterol level is high see your doctor, who will outline the proper management. (3) Reduce blood pressure if it is elevated. (4) Reduce the proportion of solid animal fats to the liquid vegetable fat and then reduce the total quantity of both. A balanced diet is important. Avoid excesses of all kinds including cigarettes and alcohol. (5) Increase the amount of regular exercise. (6) Accept life's challenges with poise and understanding and learn not to worry--you will live longer. (7) Medical complications such as heart attacks, strokes and gangrene of the legs require expert medical care. In these circumstances call your physician without delay.


OUR CHRISTMAS WISH..
... to one and all
of our fellow workers—
May the joys of this season
never end—and the kindly
Christmas spirit
glow in our hearts all year!
Thomas B. Obsmer
GENERAL MANAGER

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (General) -

Joy and sorrow filled the hearts of many of JOSEPHINE TOLLAR's friends at a retirement luncheon held in her honor on November 21 at Henrici's. Along with her many friends from the office, numerous former co-workers, namely, LOIS ANDERSON, MILDRED BONOMO, HELEN FRANSON, MAE KEARNS, ISABEL McGINNIS, MADALINE O'CONNELL, MABEL POTTHAST, MARY ROACH, MARGARET TIMMONS, IRENE WENKE, ROY WILSON, and MARILYN WRIGHT joined in wishing her extended happiness in her retirement years. Josephine was presented with an AM-FM clock radio and a check of a sizeable amount. Jo's party was saddened by the funeral of her dear friend and former co-worker, KITTY DWYER, which was being conducted at the same hour...ANNE ANGST became a great aunt for the eighth time when her niece, BARBARA UNGER, had a son, ANDREW, June 28...A glorious vacation was experienced by your reporter, JEANNE FITZGERALD, who travelled to Billings, Montana, to visit her sister and brother-in-law. The scenery was beautiful and the weather mild with sunshine all of the time. The only snow could be seen on top of the Pryor mountains...JOHN GEARY retired on December 1. An open house was held in his honor on November 28. Present were Mrs. Geary, a son, a daughter, a granddaughter, and two sons-in-law. Many former CTAers paid tribute to John. Among them were F. HODAPP, H. OLSON, J. ALLEN, E. C. BURKE, L. SALISBURY, W. WILLIAMS, R. BUSSE, T. TIMMONS, J. RUBERRY, O. STACH, A. O'BRIEN, R. WILSON, C. DWYER, M. KEARNS, B. SUHR, S. KOCH, J. SCHROEDER, B. O. RATNER, M. POTTHAST, and L. J. FRANCOEUR. The Accounting Department will miss John Geary...BERNARD KANE and his wife went to Miami Beach, Florida, on vacation. This was their first trip to Florida. They stayed at the beautiful Eden Roc where they enjoyed pool and ocean swimming, relaxation, and fabulous food. They made the rounds of the other hotels to see the shows. Hialeah Race Track, Coral Gables, and the Coconut Grove were places of interest they visited. Their hotel manager presented them with tickets to the taping of the "Jackie Gleason Show" at the Miami Beach Auditorium. They enjoyed being a part of the Miami Beach audience. They left Florida aboard the M/V Freeport, a four hour boat trip to the Kings Inn in the Bahamas, which is truly a paradise. They stayed three days and then flew back to Chicago.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

(Revenue) -

"Lock Boxes" are not all that is new in Revenue Accounting at the present time! Heartiest congratulations are in order for DeLOIS HILL who announced the birth of a baby boy weighing in at 3 pounds 12 ounces one minute before midnight on Thanksgiving Day at the Illinois Research hospital...CLOTILDE MRZENA has been on cloud nine for the past few weeks, and especially when she became the bride of JAMES FRANKIEWICZ on Saturday, November 29, at St. Maurice church. We all join in wishing them both every joy and happiness in the future. We also take this opportunity to extend belated congratulations to ARLENE SPATZEK who exchanged vows with THOMAS PURALEWSKI on Saturday, August 16, at St. Philomena's church...We are happy to announce that ALICE ARKIN is recuperating at home. We miss your smiling face, Alice, and send you best wishes for a speedy recovery...On her vacation, LOIS JAHNKE took a direct flight from O'Hare Airport to Zurich, Switzerland. She enjoyed the beautiful mountain scenery of Lugano, Lucerne, Mt. Pilatus, and the Gotthard Pass. Then she went on to Yugoslavia, to Sarejo with its Turkish influence and Mosques, and to Dubrovnik where she spent many hours walking on top of the wall of the old city and enjoyed a beautiful panoramic view of the city and its surroundings. She also drove to the top of one of the many mountain ranges with 26 switchbacks, cruised on the Adriatic sea from Dubrovnik to Split where the weather was almost perfect, and spent several days in Split before going on to Venice, Paris, and London. Comments Lois, "Yugoslavia is really a fascinating place to visit."

- Clotilde Frankiewicz

(Tabulating) -

HELEN ROMAS spent her vacation taking short but delightful trips, getting as far as St. Cloud, Minnesota. The weather was cool, but pleasant, which contributed to her enjoyment...DANNY FRUSOLONE spent his one-week vacation (?) with chores in and around the house. Were you glad to get back, Dan?..MARION SUTHERLAND also spent her vacation in Chicagoland but with a difference. She had a welcomed guest in the person of her daughter who visited from Long Beach, California. That's a recipe for a wonderful time...CARMELLA PETRELLA speaks well of the Miami Beach area. She says that for sun-bathing, it can't be beat. She had great weather, enjoyed sight-seeing, and came home reluctantly...FLORENCE PARROTT spent her vacation in Chicago--taking in all that Chicago has to offer and catching up on her chores...PAULINE TORREY and her husband, PHIL, welcomed a new little granddaughter, VICTORIA JEAN MEIER, born on October 20. The little darling weighed in at 6 pounds 10 ounces. Her mother is the former GLORIA TORREY who worked in the Electrical Department.

- Evelyn Leu

CLAIM -

Our deepest sympathy to GRACE JOHNSON on the death of her father, FRED SPRINGER, who passed away in October. We would also like to take this opportunity to express our sympathy to the family of SAMUEL N. FISHER who passed away on November 3 in California. Sam was a retired legal adjuster...JOHN DALY enjoyed a four-day fishing trip in Wisconsin. He didn't catch any fish, but it didn't make any difference because he was enjoying the company he was with. He was with his son, JOHN, who was home on a 30-day leave from Germany where he had been stationed since December, 1968. He returned to Germany on November 16...ROY SWANSON and his wife, BARBARA, just returned from a month's tour of Europe which included England, France, Switzerland, Holland, Germany, and Italy. According to Roy, he enjoyed most the visits to Paris, Nice, London, and Lucerne, Switzerland, and would like to

return and spend more time...After 24 years of service, JOSEPHINE TOLLAR has become a member of the retired generation. Josephine was a temporary member of our department. She was originally with the Accounting Department for 21 years. Josephine will spend her time relaxing and traveling, a life which she fully deserves. Best wishes to you, Josephine, in your retirement bliss...Our department received a surprise visit from Pensioner VERNON THORNTON, our world traveler. He looks great and is enjoying himself immensely...CLARENCE CRAWLEY went to Mexico for his vacation where he visited Mexico City and Acapulco. He returned with a good tan, many experiences, and hopes of returning there next year...SOL GARRO and his wife, ROSE, spent three wonderful weeks in North Hollywood, Florida. While down there he enjoyed his three favorite pastimes...It was a happy occasion in the McDERMOTT household when MIKE and IRENE's son, Major MICHAEL McDERMOTT, returned from his second tour of duty in Viet Nam. Michael has been assigned to duty at Ft. Sheridan, so it will be much easier to get together with the whole family now...Everyone would like to extend their best wishes to EDITH RIDDLE who retired after serving the company for 41 years. Edith spent 5 years in the Medical Department and 36 years in the Claim Department. She plans on spending her time taking life easy, doing some traveling, taking in concerts and museums, and taking a commercial art course. In other words, doing just what she wants to do. We all envy you, Edith...Congratulations are in order for FELIX J. BLACK and GEORGE KAHLFELDT who recently became legal men, and to AL FOSTER who became a statement man...Our ART RACKY is very much alive and well and home from the hospital. Needless to say, the Claim Department and a lot of other people are breathing much easier. Hurry back, Art.

- Ruth Kaminski & Terri Kramer

BEVERLY -

Received a nice letter from Pensioner JOHN J. O'CONNOR, former superintendent at Beverly, who plans to visit us in the spring. His address is, 5655 Sixth Avenue North, Apartment 74, St. Petersburg, Florida 33710, if you would like to drop him a line or send a card...Operator RUDY JOHNSON sure likes his work. He even shows up on his day off...We wish a speedy recovery to Operator ART PINELLI who is at St. Francis hospital, and to Operator GILBERT JONES who is recovering at Hines..."Operation Snowball" of the mental health program is rolling along and we wish to thank everyone who will help this worthy project get off to a good start. Thanks.

- Tom Daniels

ELECTRICAL (General Office) -

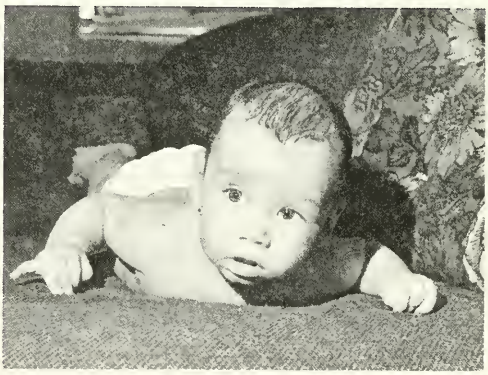
It's a great feeling to get away from the dark, dreary days of late Autumn and follow the sunshine. KEN MIKOTA and his wife flew to Mexico. They spent a few days at the luxurious Maria Isbell in Mexico City then drove along miles of green mountains to the spa at Istapan. Taxco, seat of the silver industry, was the next stop. After touring the countryside, a week at the Elcano on the Beach climaxed a beautiful and memorable vacation...MARIE HAVLIK spent two weeks island-hopping and sightseeing on the Hawaiian Islands of Oahu, Hawaii, Maui, and Kauai. The beauty of the flowers, beaches, and rolling waves convinced Marie that this was indeed a wonderland...SANDRA CLAUSEN was married to RONALD PFEIFFER on November 1 at Queen of the Universe church. A reception at the Elks Club followed the ceremony. Sandy was honored at a luncheon given by her co-workers at the M&M club. Best wishes for the future.

- Kay McAlister

ENGINEERING -

ANNETTE HEFTER and her husband, HARRY, left on a three-week motor trip on October 3 for points west, traveling through several states viewing the fantastic scenery. They saw the Badlands, Rapid City, stopped to view Mount Rushmore, then went on to Yellowstone Park. Annette said it was a beautiful and interesting ride until they entered the gates of Yellowstone where it was snowing and they had to travel a winding mountain road which became very icy and treacherous. After that frightening ride, they arrived at Visitor's Center, where they were closing everything up at the end of the season. They enjoyed seeing the sulphur springs and the beautiful lake, but couldn't wait to get out of the chilly park and head south. They spent a week in Los Angeles visiting relatives and friends. Annette was thrilled when her aunt, who lives in Los Alamitos and is an artist, gave her two lovely paintings to take home to Skokie. They visited Annette's sister in Phoenix and spent a weekend with them in Las Vegas, where a third sister joined them, making it the first time they had all been together in 25 years. In Las Vegas they saw some shows and left their "donations" with the inhabitants, then headed for home, stopping at the Grand Canyon Caverns and revisiting the Painted Desert and Petrified Forest enroute...Congratulations to JIM JOEFFREY and his wife, JOSEPHINE, who celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary on November 24. We wish Jim and his wife many, many more years of health and happiness...VINCENT J. SHUBAT, recently working with main office forces of the Engineering Department, retired on December 1 after 40 years of service, all spent in various assignments within the track division of CTA and Surface Lines. He and his wife, CECILIA, were honored guests at an open house held in 7-155 on November 28.

"HOW MANY push-ups did you say grandpa?" That's what six-month old JAMEY SCHWANK, the grandson of PAUL TWINE, Claim, seems to be saying. Jamey's mother, PEGGY, was formerly a ticket agent for CTA.



The Legends of Christmas

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

The festive carols of the Christmas season are known in all parts of the world. Their origin is lost in many cases, but they are thought to be the spontaneous outburst of joyousness of ancient peoples at the Christmas season.

STOCKINGS

No one seems to know the origin of hanging up stockings on Christmas eve...In Scandinavia, families place all their shoes together before the fireplace – the legend being that this will cause them to live in harmony throughout the new year.

WREATH

Most popular of Christmas decorations is the evergreen wreath. It represents the crown of thorns which was pressed on the brow of Jesus as He hung on the cross. The red berries symbolize drops of blood He shed for us.

SANTA CLAUS

The name of Santa Claus derives from Saint Nicholas, the son of a wealthy bishop. When his parents died, Nicholas gave away everything. After his death he was named as the patron saint of children whom he particularly loved. He was called "San Nikiaus" by the Germans, and "Sinteklass" by the Dutch. Dutch settlers made it "Santa Claus."

DOWN THE CHIMNEY

Why does Santa Claus come down the chimney – at least, on greeting cards and in the ads? The myth which old-time Englishmen favored was that Santa was thereby cleaning the chimney of soot, to allow good luck to enter the house at the New Year.

THE NAME

Our name for the day, Christmas, dates back to the 11th century when it was called Cristes Maesse – literally, Christ Mass. The Germans call the day Weihnachtsfest – Holy Night Feast; the French call it Noel, which derives from the Latin Natalis, meaning birthday.

MISTLETOE

In ancient times, before the Christian era, mistletoe was gathered during the winter solstice and reverenced as a symbol of future hope and peace. Enemies, meeting beneath a spray of it, would drop their weapons and embrace, in a gesture of friendship.

THE CHRISTMAS TREE

Many legends surround the Christmas tree. One is that an evergreen protected Joseph and Mary and the Infant from Herod's soldiers; another is that the Lord sent heavenly messengers to earth to find a tree "as high as Faith, as eternal as Hope, and as widespread as Love" to symbolize the birth of Jesus. They chose the balsam fir.

CANDLES ON THE TREE

Although today we use electrical substitutes to lessen the danger of fires, the use of lighted candles on the Christmas tree goes back hundreds of years to a legend that tiny lights appeared as by a miracle on the evergreens of the forest during the early celebration of the Nativity.

GIFTS

It is interesting that Santa Claus is not widely known around the world as a gift-bringer. Mostly, it is the Wise Men who arrive bearing gifts. In Hungary the gifts come from the Angels, in Poland from the Stars; in Greece, St. Basil is the gift-bearing patron saint, while in Denmark it is an elf – Jule-nissen.

THE CRIB

Do homes all over the world have Christmas trees? No it is the crib of the Infant Jesus which is more widely used as a symbol. It is the creche in France, the Nacimiento in Spain, and the Krippe in Germany. In many European countries the crib is carried through the streets by groups of singing children.

LIGHTING OF HOMES

Among the ancient legends is that of the Christmas candle. It tells of a shoemaker who lived on the edge of a village. Although a poor man, he placed his candle in the window each night to guide travelers. Despite hardships and illness, his light never wavered. This inspired the villagers and at Christmas nearly every villager placed a candle in his window.

Many of his numerous friends throughout the system attended and presented him with a farewell gift, his lovely wife with a corsage, and capped it off with a carnation for Vince that gave him the distinguished look of a maitre d'. We wish them continued years of happiness and will be delighted to have them pay us a visit now and then...PAT McCARTHY and his wife, TERESA, are proud parents of a second girl, born on December 1 at Columbus hospital and weighing 7 pounds. Mother and baby are doing fine. She will be named FIONA MARIE. PAT tells us FIONA is a "common" name in Ireland. Now we are wondering if McCarthy is a common name in Ireland...Mr. and Mrs. JOE BARTUCCI, pensioner from the track division, were given a surprise 50th wedding anniversary dinner and party by their son, MARIO, and daughters, CARMELLA, ESTHER, IRMA, and GILDA and families to celebrate their golden wedding date of November 8, at the new Joseph's restaurant in Hillside. Your friends at the CTA wish you both many more enjoyable years of wedded bliss!..Thanks, again, to LOUISE SANDSTROM for gathering and submitting this news in the absence of your reporter who is recuperating at home.

(West Shops) -

The West Shops laborers, among others, wish a get well and a hurry back to JOHN BEDAME who was recently in the hospital and is now convalescing at home; to DAVE STEVENSON who has been off work recovering from a leg injury, and last, but not least, MICHAEL POLLIZZIE who was in the hospital recently for a routine checkup. Hope to see you soon, fellows, we need our laborers...Proud papa JOE JOHNSON, tinner, has a son, GERALD, who recently displayed his 1951 Kaiser Golden Dragon at the first annual Antique Classic and Sports Car Show held at the International Amphitheater. Gerald is the director of the Chicagoland area Kaiser-Frazer Owner's club. Last August, he drove his 1951 Kaiser sedan, which he restored himself, to Overland Park, Kansas, to the Kaiser-Frazer National Meet and won first place. Gerald, 20, already owns 5 Kaisers and does all his own restoration and mechanical work. He currently attends the Allied Institute of Technology and is majoring in Automotive Engineering...The CTA plumbers reaped a harvest recently at the annual turkey raffle held at the Plumbers Local Union No. 130. Here are some of the winners and their prizes: V. LaMARCA won French perfume, R. HAYES won a box of apples, E. PETERSON won sun tan lotion, T. HICKS won a $10.00 Jewel certificate, H. KEANE won a tool set, J. NAGEL won a live pheasant, and C.SCAPPUCCI won a camping thermos set. It sure looks like that raffle made a lot of wives happy. ..MIKE FOSTER, bricklayer, retired on November 1 and the fellows took him to dinner at the Millionaires Club and presented him with an AM/FM transistor radio. He had been with the company for 32 years...CLIFTON WALKER, trackman on the night work train, resigned recently. He left the company to take advantage of a job opportunity offered by the school he had been attending. Good luck, Cliff...Our sincere condolences to JIM BARNES, brick-

CELEBRATING HER 80th birthday on September 4 was Mrs. ORPHA KING, the mother of OPAL YANT, Revenue Accounting. She was feted at an open house at the First Christian church in Watseka, Illinois, which was attended by 250 friends and relatives. Mrs. King has been a lifelong resident of Iroquois County, where she still cares for her home and bountiful garden.

layer helper, and his family on the death of his father-in-law recently...Track Foreman T. J. STAUNTON recently became a father when his wife gave birth to a baby boy. Of course his name is none other than Tom Jr. I'm sure Tom is glad that it is all over so the fellows will stop talking about his use of cocoa butter?..To refresh some memories, TONY KENNEDY, better known as the "bloke", who left the company some 20 months back for a stint in the U.S. Army, has returned and is sporting a golden blond dome that would make Lady Clairol users jealous. We're glad to see you survived Viet Nam, Tony, and wish you the sincerest and heartiest welcome back into our midst...We also welcome back Trackman WILLIE EARL WHITE who did his army stint in Korea. He said he could say many things about being in service, but the main thing he was happy about is being back on U.S. soil...Newcomers to the company are Machine Apprentices RONALD HAMPTON, EDWARD WOJTUSIK, and TERRENCE KENT. Welcome aboard, fellows, and we hope you become full-fledged machinists soon...Track Foreman TOM QUALTER spent a week's vacation at home and returned to work sounding very vague and mysterious about his activities while off. Who are you fooling, Tommy, everyone knows your wife put you to work getting the house ready for the Christmas Season...ROY BAIRD, tinner, found a diamond ring and returned it after much mix-up and was given a reward. How much, Roy?

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all of you and your lovely families. Each year on this day, American homes celebrate with joy, love, and good will to man. Christmas is great, no matter where you celebrate it--with visits from friends, a roaring fireplace, good food, combined with a reverent gratitude for our God. So a Merry Christmas from my family to yours and may God bless you all...Sp/5 WAYNE MAHNKE, the son of Operator JOHN MAHNKE, was welcomed home by his family after 18 months with the army in Germany. Wayne, who was with the 35th Armored Division, was able to visit for 30 days and returned to Germany on November 9. There will be a wedding in June, 1970, as JOHN Jr. recently announced his engagement to KATHY WOGAN. Congratulations to this fine couple. John and his wife, RUTH, and son, ROGER, spent Thanksgiving visiting relatives in Southern Illinois. They reported seeing deer from the front porch of their cousin's home where they were staying...Operator SMOCZYNSKI wishes to say happy anniversary to his wife, December 28, and happy birthdays to his daughter, December 12, and his son, December 18...Operator and Mrs. BILL LYNAM celebrated their 38th wedding anniversary on November 25. They have three children and five grandchildren. I would like to ask one question, how did you manage, Mrs. Lynam?..Receiver and Mrs. EDWARD O'KEEFE celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on November 18. They had a lovely party at Paolella restaurant in Broadview which was attended by friends and relatives. Who picked up the tab, Ed? The very best to this wonderful couple...NICK COSTANTINO Jr., the son of Operator NICK COSTANTINO, has recovered from a lung operation and is now stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. Nick would like to thank everyone who was concerned about his welfare...Operator CHRIS PANTOS says his son, STEVE, is doing fine in Viet Nam. He says there is no place like home as he is presently staying in a mudhole. God bless you, Steve...TONY YACOVACCI, whom we all think the world of, tells us that his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH YACOVACCI, are the proud parents of a lovely daughter, CHRISTINE ANN, weighing 6 pounds ½ ounce and born on October 16. Their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. CARLISLE, are the proud parents of twin boys, MICHAEL JOHN, 4 pounds 9 ounces, and ANTHONY JOSEPH, 4 pounds 4 ounces, born on November 26...I guess this ends the year--the best to all--and please drop me a note in the box, anything, I'll handle it. If I forgot anything, just call me "WILBUR".

- W. A. Henry (Don't call me Wilbur)

GENERAL OFFICE (Insurance) -

Pensioner CHARLIE SMITH recently paid us a visit and informs us that he and Pensioner RALPH UMSTOT have been viewing the city together. Charlie, you are getting younger looking by the day...Glad to hear that CAROL ARNDT is home from the hospital and well on the way to recovery. Hurry back, Carol.

(Treasury) -

A welcome is extended to CHARLES WROBEL and FRANK VYZRAL, token clerks...JIM VERTELKA, token clerk, was promoted to bond clerk. Congratulations!

(Employment) -

Congratulations to SUE HOLZER who announced her engagement to GEORGE HOLZMEISTER...The department welcomed back ANITA CURTIS who was on a leave of absence...Sympathy is being sent to the family of RALPH TADEVICH, the son of STANLEY TADEVICH, employment counselor, who died while in military service. Ralph was a former CTA employe.

(Reproduction Services) -

Wedding bells will ring on April 11, 1970 for SHARON DAUKSHIS who became engaged to WILLIAM HAMILTON from East Liverpool, Ohio. Besides sporting a diamond, she is also sporting a new 1970 Maverick. How does it feel to have money, Sharon?

(Law) -

FRED KINDERMAN, attorney, after 35 years of service retired on November 1 to settle down in sunny Arizona.

(Executive) -

KAY CORCORAN is the proud owner of a 1970 Oldsmo-

bile. She claims it is Sherwood green, but we say CTA green because she's a loyal employe.

(Public Information) -

How about the Service Representative who got stuck purchasing a 20 cent token from New York City and paid 40 cents for it in Chicago? Keep up the good work!..The Service Section welcomes a newcomer, KATHY SZATKOWSKI. ..The new Charter Service senior sales representative is WILLIAM PINASCO, formerly a receiver-clerk at North Avenue Station. Good luck, Bill.

(Employe Relations) -

EILEEN ARDELL and her husband flew down to sunny Florida for a week...The welcome mat was extended to EUGENE JENDRACH, graduate trainee.

(Research & Planning) -

HERMAN JAMES retired on December 1 after 36 years of service. An open house was held in his honor which was attended by many of his friends and co-workers. Good luck, Herman, and may you have many happy and healthy days ahead...JOHN O'CONNOR and his wife, LORRAINE, were co-chairmen of the Royal Music Hall in All Hallows Merri Old England's production at Divine Infant church in Westchester. John's CTA cohorts attended the production and enjoyed a great evening of entertainment...DALE MANGELSDORFF and his wife, COLLEEN, are the proud owners of a 1970 Dodge Challenger...FRANK MISEK had to brush up on his Japanese (Ah So) in order to meet with three visitors from the Japanese National Railways...The Illinois Railway Museum at Union, Illinois, wound up its 1969 operating season with a special CTA Saturday when it entertained guests and their families from CTA including JIM BLAA, BUD BUCK, BOB HEINLEIN, CHARLES KEISER, and GEORGE KRAMBLES. An old wooden "L" train and a red Pullman streetcar were operated over the mile-long track for the occasion. A number of CTAers devote their weekends to loving care and restoration of old railway cars at this museum and welcome your visit any weekend.

(Medical) -

Congratulations are in order for ROSEMARY SIKIERSKI (Becker) and her husband who became proud parents on December 5 of a baby girl weighing 7 pounds. Rosemary was formerly a Registered Nurse for CTA.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

KEDZIE -

Superintendents E. K. PETERSON and G. W. DAUBS wish all the operators and their families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year...Congratulations to GEORGIANA PAPPAS, the daughter of Operator GEORGE PAPPAS, who announced her engagement to Mr. JAMES LEE NICHOLSON of Lombard, Illinois. They plan to be married at St. Simeon church in Bellwood, Illinois, on January 10, 1970, and will have their reception at Mary's Garden in Chicago...Pensioner BEN TAUSCH, formerly of the General Office and ex-board member, says hello to everyone. He looks good and retired life sure agrees with him...Retired Board Member CHARLIE SEEBOCK is home and doing well. He says hello to all at Kedzie. TED HEFFERNAN was over to visit him...On April 26, 1957, Mr. and Mrs. WILLIE SUTTERFIELD became parents of a daughter, ALTHEA, who is now 12 years old. She made a double-promotion from third to fifth grade last year and was an "E" student for almost a year. On October 17 she was elected president of the student council. Keep up the good work, Althea!..JOHN PASSARELLO, Repair Department, took his pension on December 1 after 29 years of service. SAM RIVERA, John, and his lovely wife drove to New Mexico. On the way there they had a flat tire in the desert and when they stopped at a gas station to have the tire fixed, John's wife went to the ladies room. The gas station attendant came back with the tire and John and Sam drove off. After 20 miles or so, John turned to his wife in the back seat to ask a question and she wasn't there--they had left her at the gas station. They turned around and picked her up. John still hears about it today...Also going on pension is Operator F. MUSSATTO and Operator S. ENGELHARD. We send you both our best for a long and happy retirement...Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. F. FOURNIER on the loss of her husband, FRANK, who was laid to rest on October 26. He was a receiver at Kedzie...Our deepest sympathy to Foreman JOSEPH FIORITO, Forest Glen, your reporter's cousin, whose mother, Mrs. ANNA FIORITO, passed away and was laid to rest at Mt. Carmel Cemetery on December 10. While driving to the cemetery on route 83, a big trailer truck was northbound and my brother-in-law, ADAM FIORITO, instructor of mechanics, had a very close call. The driver of the truck lost control and began to sway. Adam slowed down when he noticed this and the trailer tipped over. My brother-in-law stopped about four feet from the trailer. If Adam hadn't been so alert, the trailer would have tipped over on his car crushing him to death. Adam still shakes when he thinks about it or someone mentions it to him... Your reporter and his wife are waiting to see our son who is coming home from Viet Nam. After a year overseas, he will be discharged and come back to civilian life.

THIS HAPPY couple is DENNIS and ROSEMARY DANIELS, who were married on August 22 in Manti, Utah. Dennis is a graduate of Brigham Young university and the son of JOHN DANIELS, Congress Terminal Shop.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

Well "hi" again from your ole street-walker scribe, ERNIE. After helping the traffic supervisors get through the summer months, I decided to return to the saddle of a good old Addison bus for awhile. Dig that, I decided--by request of the company, that is...Co-reporter ANTHONY BERRY graciously left the column to me while he did his Christmas shopping. Incidentally, poor Berry has to double-up as his anniversary falls on December 21. Think you can hold out for another year, MARY G.?..It really seems odd that as loud mouthed as DON SEGAR is, he hasn't said anything about another birthday, December 20... Speaking of birthdays, I pity poor Garageman FRANK

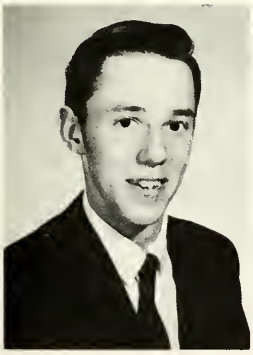
TRIGG who had to buy a present for his lovely wife, HELEN, November 26, and also for his brother, WILLIAM, ditto same date...Another lovely HELEN, the wife of Operator A. JANITO, really put the bite on him--her birthday was December 25...Operator W. WORKS and his wife, ELOUISE, really had something to be thankful for when their daughter, KENYA, made her arrival November 13...Operator VERNON R. WENNERBERG was exceptionally thankful on December 1 because this is the date he retired and he still looks like a million bucks. May he have many years of happy retirement...Our Board Member would like to extend his thanks to all the fellows of Keeler for their contributions to the Little Flower Society...Looking in the pink after a heart attack is Operator C. PETERSON who dropped in to say "hi" to all the fellows...Haven't had the opportunity before to officially welcome to Keeler our new boss, Mr. CHRISTIAN. Welcome, "boss", and I hope I can quit paying you so many personal visits...The fellows in the garage tell me that Chief Garage Clerk PAT MULCAHEY went deer hunting, but returned with no visible signs of his trip. I sort of wonder what kind of "Dear" Pat was hunting for?.. Well, folks, here's hoping that Old St. Nick made all his deliveries on time and completely--for now the poor guy has to also make the moon run, too.

- Ernest C. Carter & Anthony Berry

LIMITS -

The annual business meeting and party of the Limits Credit Union will be held on January 25 at 3 p.m. at Weiglers Hall, Damen and Byron avenue. All members and their families are urged to attend. If there should be a change of time and place, it will be posted on the bulletin board at Limits Station...We were happy to see Pensioner EDWARD SHULSTAD pay us a visit at Limits. He reports that he was confined to the hospital for a short time but is well on the road to recovery...Operator RUFUS BOYD was confined to the hospital but reports he is feeling fine again. ..RUTH DE WITT, the wife of Night Superintendent M. H. DE WITT, is confined in Lutheran General hospital, Des Plaines, Illinois, at this time. We all wish you a very speedy recovery...Operator JOHN ODOM is in St. Joseph hospital. He should be leaving soon as he is well on the road to recovery...Operator SAM WILSON spent an enjoyable vacation in Georgia where he visited friends and relatives...Congratulations to JAMES HARRIS who won $100 in the Jewel-Osco royal flush game. He said the money would be put aside for his vacation...While Instructor JAMES BROGAN was on vacation, his daughter, DIANE, was married to GEORGE WAGNER. The beautiful wedding was followed by a reception for friends and relatives. Congratulations to the newlyweds...Supervisor HOWARD JOSETTI and his wife recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Their daughter gave them a wonderful party. Congratulations...JOHN WEBER reports that there was a big turnout for the Little Flower mass and breakfast at St. Patrick church with Father Quentin Duncan officiating...The Limits basketball team, headed by Captain O. DALE MARSHALL, finished in the first division. Congratulations!

- R. S. Benson



THIS YOUNG man is MICHAEL GRILLAERT, the son of GUS GRILLAERT, Congress Terminal Shop, who was the recipient of a State scholarship in recognition of his performance in the 1970-71 State Scholarship Program competition.

LOOP -

Agent J. GEORGE is on the sick list again. MORA HAASE said to hurry back, Jimmy, the Christmas rush needs you...Agent W. STRASSER you better hurry back or you will have to go into re-training. Let's hope you are much better and back to work by the time this goes to press...At this writing Agent C. SALA is home and not feeling too good yet. We all hope you get well soon and will be back in time for the Christmas rush...It's great to see Agents D. GROFMAN, M. WIXTED, and DOROTHY PARKER back on the job...Thanksgiving is long gone, but when there are two turkeys at one meal you don't forget so quickly. One of our janitors was talked into taking two chances from a co-worker at the car house. Well, ERWIN SCHULTZ was the winner. Early Thanksgiving morning he got up and stuffed both birds, prepared the trimmings, and at about three or four o'clock he and his three brothers and sisters-in-law sat down to a delicious dinner. This was an extra special day as it was the first dinner prepared in his new apartment. Oh, the other turkey, well here is what happened to it. Over in a corner of the new dining room on a nice table cloth was a turkey and all the trimmings. Who was enjoying it? None other than Mickey Albert Schultz, and believe me, he was sure glad he was Erwin's dog that day...A short time ago Retired Agent and Inside News Reporter HELEN PALLISTER wrote me a few lines. She is very happy and loves her new home, and working as a part-time typist. During the first few days of the opening of the Dan Ryan extension, Helen and a few of her lady friends in Wisconsin were watching the news on TV, when suddenly there was BOB HEINLEIN as clear as could be. Helen yelled, "Bob! That's Bob, our editor of the Transit News." Well, these friends of Helen couldn't get over seeing him on TV and they thought he was a young college boy. Helen suggests that you try for a TV star, Bob...Congratulations to Agent JOHN FILIPEK and his wife who celebrated their 26th wedding anniversary on December 11...Platform Man PAT McGOWAN will say goodbye to his friends and co-workers on December 31 when he will begin his pension January 1. He is so happy now that he will be able to stay home and enjoy it with his family. Good luck from all of us and we wish you many years of good health...Collector SPIRO LAMBROS is jumping with joy for he will also go on pension January 1. He didn't have any immediate plans but will just enjoy each day. We all wish you a long, healthy, and happy life. Now he will really spoil the grandchildren. ..A long awaited dream came true for Retired Agent MARGIE WHITE when she landed at Shannon, Ireland, airport. Her family met her there and she was so happy and delighted that she cried with joy. She will now make her home there. Margie would like to thank her friends and co-

W. JASTREMBSKI
46 Years

W. F. MULCAHY
41 Years

J. J. TRAFTON
42 Years

A. C. LEVIN
40 Years

V. J. SHUBAT
40 Years

NEW PENSIONERS

JOE S. ARNIERI, Trackman, Track, Emp. 11-13-30
JERRY CHADWICK, Painter, Building, Emp. 1-13-48
THOMAS J. CONNELLY, Janitor, 77th Street, Emp. 5-8-29
ELIZABETH A. DONOHUE, Ticket Agent, North Section, Emp. 9-27-43
VINCENZO GARITI, Repairer, Forest Glen, Emp. 5-1-36
JOHN J. GEARY, Invoice Clerk, Accounting, Emp. 8-16-43
EVELYN GILLESPIE, Ticket Agent, North Section, Emp. 3-25-37
ELMER F. GOBEILLE, Receiver, 69th Street, Emp. 4-1-31
STANLEY A. GORSKI, Security Officer, Security, Emp. 10-12-36
BYRON E. ISEMINGER, Operator, Beverly, Emp. 10-19-33
HERMAN E. JAMES, Transfer Clerk, Research & Planning, Emp. 10-20-33
WALTER JASTREMBSKI, Pressman, South Shops, Emp. 3-13-23
EDWARD C. KACZMAREK, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 6-26-29
ADOLPH C. LEVIN, Conductor, North Section, Emp. 4-16-29
PATRICK McGOWAN, Platform Man, West Section, Emp. 6-17-29
GEORGE P. MILLER, Operator, Lawndale, Emp. 9-9-25
WILLIAM F. MULCAHY, Operator, Archer, Emp. 11-23-28
JOSEPH O'TOOLE, Platform Man, North Section, Emp. 10-10-29
EDWARD J. PALEN, Operator, North Park, Emp. 10-1-42
JOHN G. PASSARELLA, Repairer, Kedzie, Emp. 11-11-40

workers for the lovely dinner at Berghoff's the last Saturday she was in Chicago. She also appreciated the lovely gift she received. We all wish Margie the best of everything and many years of good health. You will always be remembered for you are a wonderful person to work with and have as a friend...Today a brunette, next day silver, and then a real pretty redhead. Well they all look good, FAY, and we can't say which one is the most striking. Let's say red, huh?..Agent DOROTHY FORD and her husband, LEO, Lake Street trainman, had a lovely two-week vacation. Dorothy had ten for Thanksgiving dinner and Leo really helped. Uh! Uh! To add a little more spice to her vacation, Dorothy bought an organ and a new 1970 Impala. Dorothy, you better stop taking vacations as they are sure costly. She returned to work on December 1 to rest. Can you imagine anyone relaxing on the a.m. at Central and Lake?..Our deepest sympathy to the family of Retired Superintendent J. DeLONG who passed away in November. Mr. DeLong will be long remembered by those who knew him and worked for him. He was a quiet, low-speaking, kind, and understanding boss. No matter what your problem was, big or small, he would first listen and then talk things over with you and help you if he could. He believed that one rule applied to everyone...Our deepest sympathy to the family of Supervisor E. VALENTA who passed away suddenly...Our deepest sympathy to Agent JOHN S. FILIPEK and his family on the loss of his mother, December 1. She was the great-grandmother of 28 children...We were sorry to hear that Trainman and Board Member G. WEBB was in the hospital, and hope that he is doing well now.

- Mildred Doyle

NORTH AVENUE -

North Avenue looks like sure champs as each coach prepares his team for the station-to-station basketball tournament. North Avenue, with its towering 6 foot 4 inch average up front, will be hard to beat. This includes TOM COLLINS, W. BAKER, and EUGENE SMITH, with W. STEWART and J. L. JACKSON waiting in the shadows in case one of them gets cold. Bringing up the back court will be sharpshooting CURTIS BANKS, assistant coach, ball-handling ROLLAND CURETON, and smooth-operating HENRY McKINLEY. The team wouldn't be complete without all-round center, forward, and guard RICHARD LONG. Directing the attack will be player-coach WADE L. SIMMONS. Whether it be from the sidelines or from the court, Coach Simmons will certainly be a spot in some team's eye. Also giving strong moral support is North Avenue

F. H. PIERSON
41 Years

K. B. WILLIAMS
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J. O'TOOLE
40 Years

G. P. MILLER
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T. J. CONNELLY
40 Years

AMONG EMPLOYES who joined the ranks of the retired on December 1 were the ten pictured here who had served CTA and predecessor transit operating companies for 40 or more years each.

THOMAS L. PETERSEN, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 9-28-36
FRANCIS H. PIERSON, Operator, Beverly, Emp. 10-26-28
EDITH E. RIDDLE, Briefwriter, Claim, Emp. 10-22-28
THOMAS F. SCREEN, Superintendent, 69th Street, Emp. 10-24-33
WILLIAM L. SEIFERT, Operator, North Park, Emp. 3-24-42
ROBERT B. SEXTON, Trackman, Track, Emp. 2-21-46
VINCENT J. SHUBAT, Track Clerk, Engineering, Emp. 7-2-29
WILLARD B. SINGELMAN, Supervisor, District "A", Emp. 3-26-34
JOSEPHINE M. TOLLAR, Clerk, Claim, Emp. 3-4-46
JOHN J. TRAFTON, Operator, 77th Street, Emp. 9-7-27
VERNON R. WENNERBERG, Operator, Keeler, Emp. 8-26-36
MARGARET A. WHITE, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 11-16-43
KENNETH B. WILLIAMS, Radio-Telephone Disp., Transportation, Emp. 5-8-29

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

MICHAEL COLLINS, Operator, 69th Street, Emp. 1-8-25
JERRY B. JORDAN, Janitor, West Section, Emp. 5-11-45
ALBERT W. MASULIS, Serviceman, North Avenue, Emp. 2-1-39
JOE L. WEATHERSPOON, Laborer, Building, Emp. 10-21-57

Credit Union, PETE DOWDALL, JOHN WEATHERSPOON, JOE CRISTY, and the rest of the group. If you are still not convinced, stop in the checker board room and talk to H. REESE, he'll make a believer out of you. General Manager A. WILLIAMS said, "Wait and watch, actions speak louder than words."..Repairman RICHARD HANDY and his wife, JO ANN, are the proud parents of SHERRY LYNN, born September 28 at 3:23 p.m. in West Suburban hospital weighing 4 pounds 7 ounces...Operator RAYMOND ZIELINSKI and his wife, ADELINE, of Northlake, became grandparents when SHERRY ANN was born to their son, JAMES, and his wife of Bellwood...Mr. and Mrs. ROMAN BUDNICK, Repair Department, became grandparents for the second time in six weeks when LISA MARIE BARTHEL was born to their daughter and son-in-law on November 4. The first time was September 23 when MARY KATE was born to their daughter-in-law and son. Congratulations to all!.. Operator JOHN WASHINGTON and his wife, IRENE, had a birthday party for their one-year old son, JOHN Jr., October 19. Irene celebrated hers on November 21. John took her out to celebrate...We are happy and thankful to report the safe return from Vietnam of JAMES PARSON, the son of Operator EINAR PARSON, on August 9. He was there for 15 months...We were happy to receive a letter from Pensioner HANS HABBESTAD who is now living at Rt. 1, Box 197, Eatonville, Washington 98328. We also received a welcome letter from Pensioner BILL ECHOLS now living at Benedictine Manor 219, Hot Springs, Arkansas 71901... Operator HAROLD RENHACK took his pension on November 1 after 40 years of service with the company. He celebrated 39 years of service with his wife, MARGARET, on October 30. Our best wishes, and let us hear from you... We welcome RUSSELL GUNDERSON back to North Avenue as chief clerk...Operator JOHN LENORE lost his brother, EUGENE. Pensioner KELM LUSSEM passed away on October 11. Operator FERNN FOX departed this life October 21. Pensioner A. M. HANSEN, now living in Norway, lost his wife recently. Receiver FRANK FOURNIER passed away October 26. Operator LEO RAMEL passed away on November 17. Pensioner WILLIAM NAUGHTON lost his brother, TOM, on November 19. Operator ABRAHAM MORGAN lost his step-father, GEORGE GOLDIE BIRD, of Richmond, Virginia, on September 22. Interment was at Glendale National cemetary. Our sympathy to these families...The annual town hall assembly autumn ball at the Chateau Royale was attended by over 800 people. Among them at my table were: Pensioner ERNEST BOCK and his wife, EMILY; Operator AMOS AARON and his wife, CATALINA; Repairman CEDRIC DRAPER and his wife, MARY; Garage Clerk WAYNE MIEDEMA and his wife, BONNIE;

POSING FOR her 100th birthday photo on November 25 is FILOMENA GIACOBE, the grandmother of RICHARD VALLONI, Electrical Department, and the mother-in-law of SALVATORE VALLONI, a bus operator at 69th Street Station. She was feted at a party attended by 200 guests and was able to recognize each one.

Forest Glen Garage Clerk BILL MIEDEMA and his wife, JACKIE; my son, DAVID, my wife, and myself. First prize raffle ticket belonged to eligible bachelor Operator EDWARD MURPHY, who also won a turkey at another raffle... Congratulations to Receiver BILL PINASCO who has transferred to Charter Service in the General Office...Operator FLORIAN DWIEL and I vacationed at Lanse, Michigan, to do some fishing. We visited Pensioner ART MOILANEN and his wife, BETTY, who have a home on Lake Superior. We enjoyed several delicious dinners at their home. We fished with Art one day and he provided the equipment for deep-water fishing. Florian had a good fish hooked, but after a fight the line snapped and he lost his rig. A sudden wind came up with 8 foot waves and we had to hustle ashore. That was our only sunny day, as the rest of the week was rain and more rain. We stayed at Otter Lake and met Pensioner ED SCHNEIDER, Operator BILL DI GIOIA, Receiver BILL PINASCO, and Ticket Agent GEORGE ROHRHUBER who were also fishing. George caught the biggest fish, an 8½ pound walleye. Bill Pinasco came in with second honors with a 5 pounder. The rest of us have nothing to brag about. The only luck we had was getting away before the snow fell...I hope all of you enjoyed the holidays. Many of you as you celebrate Christmas, the birth of our Savior, had heavy hearts because of a loved one in Vietnam or who made the supreme sacrifice. You were remembering happier Christmases when they were with you, and like all of us, wondering when this horror will end. We pray that before another Christmas rolls around the boys will be home to stay. May this New Year bring peace.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

The North Park Credit Union annual business meeting will be held Friday, January 9, at the River Park fieldhouse, 5100 N. Francisco avenue, at 8 p.m. Dividends will be declared and refreshments will be served. There will also be drawings for door prizes. All members are urged to attend...North Park was well represented at the Little Flower communion breakfast held Sunday, October 12. Fathers Quentin and Paul and the committee members wish to thank everyone for their help. Prize winners were: Mrs. MARY McDONALD, Pensioner MIKE PHILBIN, GORDON RICE Jr., NICK MUENCHEN, TONY GRANAHAN, ROY RUPP, PAT SULLIVAN, MARIO SCALES, and JOE "Charge" GRASSL were some of the pensioners in attendance...Operator W. J. KLEPITCH retired on November 1 after 27 years of service. His quiet approach and congeniality will be sorely missed around North Park...Operator BILL SEIFERT retired on December 1 after 28 years of service. Bill and his wife, MIN, will be making their new home in Southgate, California. Being one of Bill and Min's many friends, I personally wish many years of good health and enjoyable living ahead for them. You operators in the vicinity of South Gate may visit Bill and Min at: 10144 Montara avenue, South Gate, California 90280...Operator ED PALEN retired on December 1 after 27 years of service and is going to do some traveling with his wife, EVELYN, before looking into several other opportunities that he has been offered...Operator CLARENCE "Overcoat" PETERSON retired on November 1 and will be moving to Clearwater, Florida. Pete extends a hearty welcome to his many friends to drop in and say hello when they are down his way...Operator LUIS ENDARA became a father for the fourth time when his wife, CARMAN, gave birth to a daughter, DIANA CARMAN, born September 30 at Wesley Memorial hospital weighing 7 pounds...Operator JOHN KACZAR and his wife, FRIEDA, became grandparents for the sixth time when their son, RICHARD, and his wife, SALLY, became parents of a son, JOHN, born November 5 at Aleoa, Indiana, hospital...Operator ZEKE JAGST, our most eligible bachelor, became engaged on Thanksgiving day, November 27, to Miss HILDA GEBHARD. The wedding is planned for February 20, 1971...Operator JIM RENTSCHLER and his wife, HAZEL, vacationed in Florida. Highlights of the trip were visits to Naples, Bonita Springs, Lehigh Acres, and a fishing excursion with Operator BILL NEHLS of North Avenue Depot and his wife, ETHEL...Receiver BILL CERKAN and his wife, LAVERNE, vacationed throughout the West. The Cerkans visited their son, FRED, who lives in Downey, California, and is working at North American Rockwell Space Center. Also on the agenda were visits to Las Vegas, Tijuana, Mexico, Los Angeles, and Hollywood...Operator SAM POSNER and his wife, ETHEL, vacationed at Los Angeles, California, where Ethel's mother, Mrs. MIN MOLL, resides. A few days at Las Vegas, and some night-clubbing in San Francisco were also on the agenda...Operator ROY LEMKE and his wife, MAR-

APPEARING AMIDST a host of friends and co-workers is Car Repairman SAM SELVAGGIO, Congress, who recalled "the good old days" as he was feted at a party upon his retirement on November 1.

ION, enjoyed their annual fall fishing trip to Lake Norfolk, Arkansas. A visit to Forsyth, Missouri, to see Pensioner ART and RUTH MUIR, and FRANK HESS and his wife, MYRTLE, was also enjoyed...Operator DALE GILMER and his wife, OPAL, vacationed throughout the West. Highlights of the trip were a visit to Sacramento, California, to visit Mr. and Mrs. BILL BROWN. Stops were also made at Oakland, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Long Beach, Disneyland, Lake Tahoe, Reno, Las Vegas, and Phoenix, Arizona. ..Operator JIM DOLAN and his wife, RITA, spent a few days visiting Pensioner JOE LEHMANN and his aunt, Mrs. LIZ GOTTSCHALK, of 109 Grindstone Road, Port Arthur, Michigan. The Dolans also visited Detroit and Flint, Michigan, where they had an opportunity to watch the Ford and Buick assembly lines...Operator SIDNEY HUTNICK and his wife, SUE, vacationed in Florida. A visit at Pensioner CHARLES and ANN KERR's home in Bonita Springs was most enjoyable. Sid and Sue also enjoyed the blast off of Apollo 12...Operator GEORGE HAND and his wife, MERVA, vacationed at New Britain, Connecticut, where Merva's parents, Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES SNOW, reside. The Hands enjoyed the Amish Colony located in Pennsylvania where they purchased many souvenirs...Operator PAUL KOLSCH drove his motorcycle to Raccoon Lake, Indiana, where he spent ten days camping out. Paul reports the fishing was fair...Operator LEROY CARR spent a week fishing at Grand Maurie, Canada, where he stayed at Gunflint Trail Lodge. Leroy reports good catches of northern pike and large mouth bass...Operator AL SIEGEL and his wife, ESTHER, flew to New York City for their vacation. The Siegels then took a fall foliage trip through the New England States. A ski-mobile trip on the ski slope at Lake Placid was also a must...Operator PETE WILLEMSEN and HARON RAMBO vacationed at Tullhoma, Tennessee, where the fishing reports were excellent...Receiver HERB SCHMIDT made his first trip to the Ozarks where Pensioner FRANK HESS gave Herb the "kings" treatment. A visit with Pensioner BLACKIE NELSON and his wife, MAYBEL, was also on the agenda.

Pensioner MARTIN BAKKA and his wife vacationed throughout the State of Florida. Marty reports they had a grand time and expect to return again soon...Operator GUS JONES and his wife, JUNE, would like to express their thanks to the many friends who expressed their sympathy and condolences on the recent loss of their son, ALAN... Pensioner MEL ZAHR and GEORGE ZELINKO were recent visitors at the depot and are looking great. To their many friends, whom they were unable to see, they extend their greetings...SUSAN STENZEL, the daughter of Receiver ED STENZEL, is now a member of the CTA family working at the Mart in the General Office...Operator PETE DOLAN played the part of a barman in the play, "The Plough and the Stars", held November 22 at the Hamilton theatre. Operator BRENDEN GREGG was also a member of the group working as house manager of the play...FRED ANHALT, the son of Operator FRED ANHALT, is attending Colorado State university where he will be majoring in electronic engineering. Fred, who is serving in the United States Air Force, is attending his third university at Air Force expense...KATHY ZAHN, the daughter of Operator NICK ZAHN, represented St. Benedicts High school in the election for the "Queen of State Street" in the annual Christmas Day parade...A hearty welcome is extended to Operator RAY CLONINGER who has returned to work at North Park after two years in another field of employment...TIM SEDIN, the son of Operator HAROLD SEDIN, has ended his four-year tour of duty with the United States Navy where he was stationed in Japan and the Philippines...LAWRENCE J. COSTLEY Jr., the son of Supervisor LARRY COSTLEY, has been inducted into the United States Army and is serving his basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri... Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Operator WILLIAM STINESPRING and his wife, DOLLY, their 40th; Operator JESSE GILMORE and his wife, ROSE, their 13th; Operator MIKE PARK and his wife, GLADY, their 16th; Operator JOHN WAIT and his wife, LUCILLE, their 31st; Operator SAM BAKER and his wife, HELEN, their 29th; Operator ALLEN LICHTER and his wife, JUDY, their 10th, and Operator IRVING WEINER and his wife, IDA, their 38th. Instructor WALTER STEINBEISS and his wife, MARY, celebrated their 33rd, November 26th. Happy birthdays are extended to the following: Operator GEORGE HAND, PETE MARCHISOTTO, ROY LEMKE, MEL HORNING, TOM CONROY, HAROLD ANDERSCHAT, CARL SANDBURG, and MERVA HAND, JIM KURCZEWSKI, DEBORAH and MONICA AYOTTE, LOU BIELSKI, and BARBARA ANDERSCHAT...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to Pensioner CHARLES and ANN KERR on the loss of his mother, Mrs. AGNES EDWARDS; Operator JOHN BURKE on the loss of his mother, Mrs. JOSEPHINE BURKE, and Operator HENRY HIGLEY on the loss of his mother, Mrs. HIGLEY...Board Member and Operator FRANK LASKE underwent major surgery at Resurrection hospital and at this writing is convalescing satisfactorily. Our prayers are with you, Red...Repairman "Sparky" SPARKS traveled to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, via Greyhound bus on his vacation and had a wonderful trip...Repairman HERMAN AMBRUS vacationed around Chicagoland and finished all of his Christmas shopping...North Park Garage welcomes Servicemen R. RHODES, A. STEFFAN, A. MERTSKY, and M. DOMENQUEZ, a recent transferee from North Avenue...Congratulations are extended to the following who were turkey winners in the Thanksgiving raffle held at the Sportsmen Club: DENNIS CRONIN, FRANK CAHILL, ART CARLSON, FRANK CIONE, TERRY PLUTA, BOB LORENTZ, HENRY MADDEN, ED OLENDER, IRA BASHAN, and FRANK BUGLIO...The sympathy of the garage is extended to Repairman L. BOTH on the loss of his father, Mr. BOTH...All of the office personnel, Superintendents ROBERT KEAG, JACK MORRIS and WARD

SHOWN AS a motorman from North Avenue Station in 1921 and enjoying retired life in Norway today is **ALFRED M. HANSEN.** Mr. Hansen was with **CSL** and **CTA** from February, 1920, to January, 1948.

recent deaths

GEORGE W. ANDERSON, 72, Devon,
Emp. 8-12-26, Died 10-17-69
JESSE C. AX, 59, North Section,
Emp. 7-15-47, Died 10-21-69
GABRIEL F. BIORN, 74, West Section,
Emp. 1-18-22, Died 7-26-69
PATRICK BUCKLEY, 80, Lawndale,
Emp. 2-8-23, Died 10-30-69
PATRICK CAGNEY, 83, Kedzie,
Emp. 7-11-17, Died 11-10-69
MICHELE CAMPAGNA, 73, Track,
Emp. 12-16-41, Died 11-6-69
HUGH P. CAMPBELL, 80, Building,
Emp. 7-23-37, Died 10-25-69
LEONARD E. CARLYON, 64, North Avenue,
Emp. 3-25-36, Died 11-20-69
JOHN W. COLLINS, 88, Lincoln,
Emp. 8-21-17, Died 11-28-69
MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM, 80, Track,
Emp. 3-1-54, Died 11-6-69
FRED DAMKALN, 78, West Shops,
Emp. 11-5-19, Died 11-22-69
JOSEPH J. DeLONG, 74, West Section,
Emp. 6-1-14, Died 11-28-69
JAMES J. DOOLAN, 88, 77th Street,
Emp. 7-3-05, Died 11-13-69
HORACE T. DOUGLAS, 63, West Section,
Emp. 7-17-45, Died 11-14-69
WILLIAM J. DOWLING, 72, Auditing,
Emp. 9-16-29, Died 11-26-69
RICHARD DUFFIN, 92, 69th Street,
Emp. 3-8-07, Died 10-23-69
KATHERINE M. DWYER, 65, Stores,
Emp. 11-12-42, Died 11-18-69
WILLIAM R. FELL, 97, North Avenue,
Emp. 12-19-99, Died 10-31-69
MARIANO FERRARO, 76, Track,
Emp. 3-7-29, Died 11-20-69
JOSEPH L. FISHER, 84, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 12-1-18, Died 11-29-69
SAMUEL N. FISHER, 73, Claim,
Emp. 8-6-34, Died 11-3-69
FRANK FOURNIER, 63, Kedzie,
Emp. 3-30-37, Died 10-26-69
FERN FOX, 63, Accounting,
Emp. 8-17-45, Died 10-21-69
CHARLES FRANK, 97, 69th Street,
Emp. 7-22-07, Died 10-21-69
HARRY H. GEIER, 75, Electrical,
Emp. 5-6-10, Died 11-29-69
WILLIAM GRAY, 56, Archer,
Emp. 2-27-45, Died 10-24-69
JOHN P. GROTZ, 75, North Section,
Emp. 3-6-25, Died 11-28-69
J. YAZELL GUINTER, 69, Stores,
Emp. 7-3-18, Died 10-13-69
HARRY HAGAN, 87, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 8-25-19, Died 11-20-69
HENRY P. HANSEN, 64, Stores,
Emp. 10-12-28, Died 11-12-69
ALTON HAYNES, 39, Keeler,
Emp. 8-9-56, Died 11-1-69
THOMAS HILL Sr., 61, North Avenue,
Emp. 1-27-45, Died 11-25-69
JOHN G. HUMMEL, 95, North Section,
Emp. 11-16-03, Died 10-22-69
THERESA M. JARVIS, 63, West Section,
Emp. 11-20-46, Died 11-5-69
GEORGE JOHNSON, 79, 61st Street,
Emp. 4-3-08, Died 11-2-69
JOHN KEMPA, 79, Limits,
Emp. 5-3-44, Died 10-13-69
JOSEF KREMPA, 90, Armitage,
Emp. 12-20-08, Died 12-6-69

CHAMBERLAIN, Instructors BILL PARNUM, WALTER STEINBEISS and ARTHUR HIGGINS, the receivers, clerks and janitors, wish to extend Season's Greetings to all the employes at this station and their families. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the men in each department who have helped me with news items each month.

- *Melvin Horning*

NORTH SECTION -

Here we are again with all the hustle and bustle of getting ready for Christmas, so the news is a little scrace at this time of the year. This should have been sent in before, but we will print it now. Mrs. GERTRUDE PETAK, the wife of Conductor ABE PETAK, went to Culver City, California, in August to await the arrival of their grandson who was born on September 3 and weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces. Congratulations!..MARION SPARKS is a grandmother again. Her son and his wife are the proud parents of a baby girl, DIANE CHRISTINE, who was born on November 11, weighing 7 pounds 1 ounce and 20 inches long...In case no one has noticed, AL TAJIRI got a haircut and really looks sharp. Congratulations, Al...Janitor MITCHELL is back to work after having an operation. PAUL LANZ is still on the sick list, and his wife, EVELYN, went on the sick list recently. Here's hoping they both have a speedy recovery... L. WILLIS was in an auto accident on October 19 but is back to work now...BETTY CARAKER was struck by an auto on October 18 and suffered a fractured foot...M. HARRIS was in an automobile accident on November 21. He was hospitalized and his wife, aunt, and uncle were injured...We had two agents retire on December 1, E. GILLESPIE who had 32 years of service and E. DONOHUE who had 26 years of service. We hope they both have a long and happy retirement...Motorman JOE O'TOOLE, Kimball, took his pension on December 1, and Conductor ADOLPH LEVIN, Howard, also took his pension on December 1. Good luck to both of you nice fellows...Our sincere condolences to WILLARD DOUGLAS on the loss of his wife and baby. May they rest in peace...Welcome to the following newly-hired agents: M. BARRETT, M. CIFAX, L. GRESHAM, D. HARRIS, D. PUGH, B. RUSH, C. GRIFFIN, C. MARTIN, D. PAYNE, A. THELIN, and E. FIFE. Miss Fife is the sister of Howard Conductor JOHN McCONVILLE...Conductor STEVE GARBO, Howard, left the CTA after 22 years to live in Ashville, North Carolina...DESMOND O'GRADY left the CTA after 10 years of service to work with his two sisters

among employes

JAMES W. LOAN, 88, Metropolitan,
Emp. 4-21-24, Died 10-26-69
JOHN H. LOFTUS, 73, West Section,
Emp. 4-21-26, Died 12-6-69
MARY I. MASON, 93, North Section,
Emp. 11-21-18, Died 10-9-69
JOSEPH MISZKOWICZ, 79, Devon,
Emp. 10-4-19, Died 10-18-69
HERBERT M. MITTEL, 72, Central Division,
Emp. 1-8-36, Died 10-13-69
JAMES J. MURPHY, 78, South Section,
Emp. 2-11-13, Died 12-8-69
JOSEPH MURPHY, 78, Transit Board,
Emp. 12-28-58, Died 12-11-69
CHARLES C. NESS, 81, Kedzie,
Emp. 11-8-07, Died 11-15-69
JOSEPH O'CONNOR, 48, Internal Auditing,
Emp. 1-4-52, Died 11-13-69
JOHN H. PAYNE, 75, 77th Street,
Emp. 1-7-20, Died 11-22-69
PATSY PERRY, 53, Office Services,
Emp. 8-19-47, Died 10-27-69
JAMES P. PHILLIPS, 82, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 6-3-10, Died 11-17-69
CLARENCE POPP, 72, North Park,
Emp. 9-27-26, Died 10-23-69
MATHIAS RAABER, 90, West Shops,
Emp. 8-30-06, Died 11-9-69
GUS F. RADDATZ, 81, South Section,
Emp. 12-13-10, Died 10-30-69
LEOPOLD RAMEL, 48, North Avenue,
Emp. 12-10-43, Died 11-17-69
FERDINAND RATZEL, 83, West Section,
Emp. 10-1-06, Died 11-8-69
LAMAR ROBINSON, 48, Stores,
Emp. 1-6-53, Died 11-21-69
VINCENT ROSANOVA, 72, South Shops,
Emp. 10-14-41, Died 10-31-69
MICHAEL T. RUSSELL, 66, 77th Street,
Emp. 3-3-43, Died 11-28-69
MAURICE J. SCANLON, 66, North Section,
Emp. 7-7-25, Died 11-7-69
CHARLES SCAVUZZO, 76, South Section,
Emp. 2-20-43, Died 11-5-69
WALTER T. SCHANK, 75, 69th Street,
Emp. 1-13-20, Died 12-4-69
JOHN H. SCHMIDT, 88, North Section,
Emp. 3-20-43, Died 9-30-69
JAY SKINNER, 62, 77th Street,
Emp. 1-4-51, Died 11-21-69
LEO I. SMITH, 70, South Division,
Emp. 6-8-45, Died 11-7-69
CASS J. SNOW, 68, Accounting,
Emp. 6-15-43, Died 11-19-69
JACKSON C. SQUIRES, 82, Track,
Emp. 10-16-42, Died 9-6-69
EDWARD STEPNICKA, 56, South Section,
Emp. 8-15-41, Died 11-30-69
MARTIN SUCHY, 75, Lawndale,
Emp. 12-21-23, Died 11-17-69
EUGENE P. SULLIVAN, 87, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 6-13-16, Died 10-24-69
JOHN F. SULLIVAN, 74, 69th Street,
Emp. 1-20-23, Died 11-21-69
MICHAEL SZYMANSKI, 81, Devon,
Emp. 3-11-24, Died 11-6-69
ALEX TARVIDAS, 66, South Shops,
Emp. 8-26-29, Died 10-23-69
EDWARD VALENTA, 44, Rapid Transit District,
Emp. 11-25-46, Died 11-30-69
GORDON W. WALTERS, 79, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 10-20-17, Died 8-3-69
THOMAS J. WHITEFORD, 70, 77th Street,
Emp. 2-6-23, Died 11-9-69

in their nursing home in Milton, Massachusetts...In closing, how about sending some news to me, GRACE MOUNTS, 3535 N. Ruby street, Franklin Park, Illinois 60131...I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

- Grace Mounts

OPERATIONS -

The first day of December was the day that KEN WILLIAMS, radio telephone operator, began his retirement. Coffee and cake were served and many of his friends were on hand to say good-bye and wish him well, including LARRY STEPHENS, retired dispatcher. He and his wife plan to take it easy for a while and then, in the near future, do some traveling. Good luck and best wishes for a very happy retirement, Ken...JULIE WILLEM is now back at work and feeling pretty good after recently undergoing surgery...A warm welcome is extended to LORRAINE BRAZZLE, the new clerk-steno in our department, and a new employe with CTA. We are happy to have you with us and wish you good luck in your new job...RALPH TRACY and his son, RANDY, who is home on a leave before returning for reassignment with the U.S. Marines, spent some time together deer hunting at a place a little north of Ladysmith, Wisconsin. The weather was ideal, there was only six inches of snow on the ground, and everything seemed to cooperate except the deer...There was only one vacation to report on from the General Office this month and I'm happy to say that it was that of your scribe and my mother, ROSE SZCZEPANEK. It was a good feeling to leave Chicago when it was cold and fly to Florida. We stayed at my second home with JACK and WANDA KRAUSE. We were only away for one week, but in that time we went swimming, shopping, visiting with friends, traveling all over sightseeing and went to places of interest and beauty, namely the Seaquarium and Parrot Jungle. Deep sea fishing was a must, and what a rough day we picked to go. My mother caught a mackerel and I caught a barracuda, but no sail fish. We went to some very nice restaurants, especially the Viking in Dania where we were joined by ART KRICKOW, HERMAN and MARTHA ERICKSON, the KRAUSES, and other friends for dinner and dancing. The weather was a little cool at first but then warmed up. To say the least, we had a wonderful time and I'm counting the days until I return to that little white house in North Miami, Florida...We would like to express our sympathy to AUDREY and HOWARD PETERSON on the loss of

Audrey's mother, Mrs. AGNES JOHNSON, who passed away on October 23. Services were held at Messiah Lutheran church on October 27. We would also like to extend our sympathy to the family of JOSEPH DE LONG, retired superintendent of agents and janitors, who recently passed away...At this time I would like to express my best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

DON, the son of DON EDWARDS Sr., just completed four years of service with the U.S. Navy. He served as a boilerman aboard the U.S.S. Columbus which is a guided missile cruiser...JAMES J. ROCHE and his wife spent two weeks of fun and enjoyment in New Orleans. They even found time to attend the Notre Dame-Tulane football game which they liked very much...LEROY BUSH and his family vacationed in beautiful sunny Florida and had a great time...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. JAMES ROCHE who recently celebrated their 27th wedding anniversary...Our condolences are extended to the families of WALTER JOHNSON whose father-in-law passed away, and STANLEY KAMINSKI whose mother-in-law passed away.

(Traffic Planning) -

DAVE, the son of VINCE DONOHUE, was involved in an automobile accident which resulted in his having a dislocated hip. We hear that he is coming along fine and wish him a speedy recovery...Congratulations to JIM and JEAN ROCHE who recently moved into their new home...A couple of new faces to be seen in this department are those of BILL WINTERS and DENNIS MURPHY. We wish both of you the best of luck in your new jobs...On November 1, NANCY HAGEMEYER was part of the bridal party at the wedding of SANDY PFEIFFER who works in the Electrical Department. The wedding was held at Queen of the Universe church.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

JOHN LIPKA is now home from the hospital and well on the way to recovery after undergoing surgery. We are glad to hear that you are progressing so well, John, and hope that it won't be long until your A-OK.

- Colette Szczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Please forgive me for not getting the news out in time for the last magazine. Since I lost my fellow reporter and partner in crime, JANE URSO, who suddenly left the company, I fell a little behind. So I'll try my best to bring you all up to date on what's been happening around here these past couple of months...September seemed to be the month to go to Europe, at least from the standpoint of our departments. DAGMAR McNAMARA boarded a jet which carried her to Portugal, Spain, and Morocco for her glorious three weeks. In Lisbon the main attraction is called Fado, which is a combination of sad songs and folklore acted out on a bleak stage accompanied by one guitar. Sounds interesting! Dagmar also celebrated her birthday while in Lisbon. In Madrid there was the Flamenco dancers, of course, and who did she happen to see while in Madrid, but Ingrid Bergman. Like all trips, Dagmar was sorry to leave, but happy to return home...And then along came KATHY RASCHICK, Stores Department, who also jetted to the old country for her three weeks. Kathy's first stop was the land of the Blarney Stone, Ireland. While at Blarney castle, Kathy decided not to kiss the famous stone--she said, "It was unsanitary". Next was "Merry Old England" with its House of Parliament (in the box) and the changing of the guards along with the fog and rain. In Copenhagen it was the Tivoli Gardens and some very good beer; Sweden by Ferry where it rained constantly; Switzerland with its Alps, where Kathy almost passed out from yodelling too much. And then from West Berlin through Check-point Charley into East Berlin. On to Italy--"Ah" Rome and Venice and a gondola ride. Then to Paris seeing the Lido and ending her trip in Spain where Kathy was proposed to by a Spanish bus driver (what else) and back on a jet to the good old U.S.A...Our sincere sympathy to Mr. E. COATES of the Purchasing Department on the recent death of his brother...DARLENE VERHEECK from hence shall be known as Mrs. WILLIAM C. JANSEN. Darlene was married to Bill on October 11, at St. Priscilla's church. This date is also Dar's birthday. Now I don't know whether to wish you a happy birthday or congratulate you on getting married, but I think the second is more important, so congratulations to you both...After 46 years of service, CARL JOHNSON, Purchasing Department, has taken his pension (or as he has said "Calling it quits"). His career started many years ago with the Chicago Rapid Transit company when there were nickel beers and dime sodas. We're all going to miss that famous, "They're off at Pimlico", when that 4:30 bell rings. As for what's in store for Mr. Johnson after retirement, he just hopes to rest and relax. The best to you, Mr. Johnson, from all of us. Good luck...RICHARD TESCH has separated from the Stores Department and has taken up a new position replacing Mr. Johnson in the Purchasing Department...We have three new pretty faces in the Stores Department these days: Miss TONY GALIC our new typist, MARY LABUS another typist new to our ranks, and our new steno, Miss MARY ANN WALLACE, who will be replacing LYNN BELL who left us in November to await the arrival of the stork. To Lynn, here's hoping it's a big bouncing bundle--boy or girl--we're not fussy. Getting back to Miss Galic, she also took a trip to Europe this year. That's three for our side. Tony visited her native homeland of Yugoslavia, also Austria and Germany. She had a chance to visit many of her relatives, a few sidewalk cafes, and even got in on a little street dancing. And in the old part of the city, along the Adriatic, she visited a few castles with their torture chambers in the basement. Tony said she enjoyed the trip very much...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT PIEPER on their 30th wedding anniversary. Gee, Bob, I've only got 29 years

ALL AGLOW like newlyweds are JOHN and VICTORIA CANNELLA, Congress Terminal Shop, as they prepare to step-out to celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary on November 11.

PICTURED IN a happy mood are AARON and CATALINA AMOS and BILL MIEDEMA, who attended a dinner-dance held recently at the Chateau Royal for the Town Hall Assembly of Austin. Aaron and Bill are bus operators at North Avenue Station.

and 10 months to go to equal your mark...Well, I came back after spending my honeymoon on the Island of Bermuda. The Island with its moon gates and beautiful beaches is just an adorable place for a honeymoon. By the way, a moon gate is a cement archway at the entrance of each house or garden on the Island, and the legend goes that anyone who enters through the gate shall have love and happiness forever. Wouldn't this be a great world to live in if this could only be true? Not to take anything away from the beauty of the Island, their transportation company has painted their fleet of buses--would you believe, petal pink. How about baby blue for our fleet?..Sorry to report the recent deaths of KITTY DWYER, J. GUINTER, HANK HANSEN, LAMAR "Robbie" ROBINSON, and HERB MITTEL. Miss Dwyer, or "Sarge" as I used to call her, had only recently retired in August. The news was really a shock to us all who enjoyed Kitty's smiling face and spunk which she put into her work. The sudden deaths of Hank Hansen, Storeroom 15, and Lamar Robinson, Storeroom 59, Stores Department, were another shock to all of us. Mr. J. Guinter, retired, was supervisor of the old Addressograph Section. He passed away while in London on another one of his many trips to Europe. Herb Mittel, Storeroom 20, passed away after a short illness. Herb retired seven years ago and has been living in Long Beach, California. To all the friends and relatives of the deceased we would like to extend our deepest regards and sympathy...This is definitely not the type of news one likes to report, so let's see if some of you out there can come in with some really "juicy" news for our next edition...One of our summer employes, BOB ZAJAC, enlisted in the marine corps on September 15 and is currently in boot camp in San Diego, California. Bob is the son of Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD ZAJAC, sheet metal worker at South Shops. Good luck, Bob...Had a chance recently to visit with a few of the fellows in the Storerooms at South Shops. Finally got to meet STEVE ZAHORA, Storeroom 59, and I was glad to see Steve was getting along fine after his knee operation last winter. ART HOFFMAN's wife is home after a serious hip operation which she encountered in a fall. BILL GERBER, Storeroom 56, DENNIS KUHIN, Storeroom 32, TONY VELCICH, Storeroom 30, JOHNNY MARASOVICH, Storeroom 60, and the rest of you fellows, I'll get you next time.

- Rod Rusakiewicz

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

RUTH HAVLIK flew to Hawaii and visited the surrounding Islands on her vacation...GEORGE HANUS and his wife drove to Florida to spend Thanksgiving day...We hear that STEVE LAWLOR, outside checker, has his eyes on Florida. For a vacation, Steve?..K. MAREK became a grandfather for the fourth time. Congratulations!..Although it is now winter, ED JURIC still went out to play golf and picked a very cold day...BERNIE KIZIOR and KAY BATINA drove to Merrillville, Indiana, to visit with MARGE VIDAL and her baby. Marge, our former typist, is now residing in a new home in the suburb of Gary...The sympathy of the department is extended to PETE DONAHUE upon the death of his father, and to NORMAN OSWALD upon the death of his mother...A Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year to all.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

Welcome to MARY JANE HARNETT, the sister of CATHERINE ANN, clerk, and PAT HARNETT, electrical apprentice, who recently joined the staff of Technical Services at Skokie Shops...The proud owner of a new 1970 Fury III is HAROLD TAIT, Electrical Department, and DOMINEC FASANO, welder, is the owner of a new Chevrolet...Newest arrivals to the families of Skokie Shop workers are: LAURIE ANN DUNDOVICH, born September 3, and the third child of MARY KAY DUNDOVICH, formerly of the Employment Department; MICHELE MARIE, the daughter of JOHN and NANCY THOMPSON, electrical apprentice, born November 18, and ROBERT LLOYD, the son of RICHARD and HOLLY FELDMANN, born on November 17. Congratulations to all the new parents...GEORGE KIMMSKE, carpenter, and his wife, FRANCES, proudly announced the birth of another grandchild, LEONA FRANCES PERRY, born on August 30. Her father is S/Sgt. VICTOR PERRY who is now stationed at Myrtle Beach AFB, South Carolina. ..ROBERT BINNIE, electrical worker, and his wife, CAROL, are spending the holidays in Florida. Have a nice vacation, Bob and Carol.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

What a wonderful time of the year, the holiday season. After we've all had our fill of the turkey bird and all the trimmings on Thanksgiving, our thoughts turn to Christmas. A very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year is wished to you and yours...Congratulations to Switchmen JOHNNIE TOLSON and ERNEST SANDERS, and Motormen ROBERT ADLER and CARL WHITE who were promoted to yard foremen recently...Conductor JERRY HANAFIN, Ashland Avenue, went on pension November 1. His son wrote a letter which appeared in the Bee-Line column of the Daily News on October 14 congratulating his father on his 65th birthday. A little gathering was held at Ashland for Jerry. May we extend our best wishes for a happy retired life to one swell employe...Best wishes to Motorman MITCHELL THOMAS who was promoted to supervisor on October 26... Greetings and salutations to our newly transferred conductors from the North and West Sections who came over to us when the Dan Ryan line opened: GENE SARGENT, WILSON HART, WILLIAM ARCHIE, OTHA ORR, HERMAN KILLION, DAVID LANGSTON, CHARLES McCASKILL, DAVID WILLIS, EDWARD BREWER, LEROY JOHNSON, WALTER WEAVER, CURTIS HOLMES, ERNEST SAUNDERS, JOHN LAGON, JOSEPH THURSTON, NATHANIEL SNEED, BILLY CRUMBLY, BILLY BUCKHAULTER, THOMAS MOORE, WILLIE SMITH, CARLTON DANIELS, and RAYMOND LOVE...Isn't this wonderful! Retired Clerk

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CHARLES SASSO and his wife celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 2 with a mass at St. Margaret Mary church, and then a luncheon at the Hyatt House restaurant...Back to their posts off the sick list are: Motorman ANTHONY JAGLA, Conductors JOSEPH MITTLER and JOHN KALTSAS, Clerk JOSEPH BRENNAN, and Agent DAVID WINSTON...The O'CONNORS, Agent ANN and Clerk JOE, have just returned from a trip to Florida where they just took life easy and had a good rest while basking in the sun...Welcome to newly-hired Agents ELAINE CANDIFF, DOLORES ROTH, JUANITA WOODSON, CORETTA BRAGGS (wife of our Collector THOMAS), JOHNNIE GREER, and DELLA RICHARDS, and to transferees from the surface system and Track Department to janitors: EARL PETERSEN, JAMES DENNARD, and CLINTON HOLMES, and to newly-hired Janitors THEODORE BRITTON, MAX JONES, ALBERT DUCKETT, and WILLIE STEVENS...Retired Conductor GUS RADDATZ passed away recently. Our sincere condolences to his family...Division 308 election day in November brought out so many of our pensioners I couldn't begin to name them all. Many of them came up to the office and we had a nice visit with them. We haven't seen some of our pensioners for a few years and they all looked so healthy and youthful. To name a few: Retired Motormen PAUL SCHILLE, FRANK BONNEY, HARRY EITEL, COLEMAN JOYCE, JOHN HEADY, EDWARD HENNESSY, ANGELOS YPSILANTI, and JOHN BURKE, Conductors THOMAS WHITE, JOSEPH MASCOLINO, VERNON AMMONS, WILLIAM McWALTERS, EDWARD HOPKINS, JAMES MURPHY, ERNEST HARDWIDGE, JOSEPH KOLMAN, MICHAEL SULLIVAN, and WILLIAM RUEHL, Towermen PATRICK JOYCE, JAMES HARVEY, FRANK DIMMICK, and PAT HICKEY, Yard Foreman CLIFFORD BECKER, Supervisors CHARLES SPIELMAN, ED MUNRO, and BOB BROWN, Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS, and International Vice President PAT GANLEY. We enjoyed seeing everyone...Good wishes to Switchman TYRONE BROWN who was promoted to clerk, West Section, on November 2...Retired Towerman LEONARD DeGROOT told us that he won the turkey again this year in his bowling league...Resigning recently were Conductor JOHN WRIGHT and Agents INEZ WADLINGTON and CORRINE DALMAS. Best wishes to them. Also returning to school in the late fall were part-time Conductors MAJOR COLEMAN and JAMES THOMAS...Heard that the traveling ELMER STEVENS family (Retired Yard Foreman) have been all through Australia and have decided to reside in Redcliffe Peninsula, Queensland, and have bought a home there. They love living in Australia. Right now it is Spring there. They said it never gets too cold, even in winter. The Stevens' are really having quite an adventure...Our South Siders have received some more passenger commendations: Conductor NEIL SULLIVAN was commended for his alertness and pleasant manner; MAURICE GRANGENT was commended for the friendly manner in which he performs his conductor duties, and LEROY JOHNSON was commended for his clear and audible announcements...Received a call from Mrs. LESTER HICKEY, the wife of deceased Station Superintendent LESTER HICKEY. Mrs. Hickey, who lives in Panorama City, California, was in Chicago for a few weeks to visit her daughter. She says to tell her old CTA friends hello.

- Verna Hartney

DECEMBER'S RETIREES included the two CTAers who are pictured here receiving retirement gifts from **E. F. WEINGARTNER**, general superintendent of investigations and claims. **EDITH RIDDLE** (at right) had completed more than 41 years of service, mostly in the Claim Department, and **JOSEPHINE TOLLAR** (at left) had completed 23 years of service in the Accounting and Claim Departments.

SOUTH SHOPS -

Congratulations are extended to Mr. L. G. ANDERSON, superintendent of shops and equipment, on his retirement, and also to Mr. FRANK HORVAT of the Technical Services Department...We would like to welcome Mr. G. J. CLARK, our new superintendent of shops and equipment. For those of you who don't know, Mr. Clark came to the shops from the General Office where he was chief equipment engineer of the Technical Services Division. We would also like to welcome NATALIE KACZKOWSKI who transferred from the Purchasing Department, and YOLENNE CLAUDE who transferred from the Engineering Department...Congratulations to EDNA MAGGARD who is now known as Mrs. RONALD WALKER. Edna told me that Ronald is also employed by CTA as a switchman...Everyone was glad to see KATHY O'BRIEN again. Kathy stopped in to visit South Shops while she was in town for the holidays. For those of you who forgot already, Kathy left the company in September, 1968, to live in Ft. Collins, Colorado...MAX HAMILTON, Engine and Axle Department, and his wife, ADELINE, spent two weeks in Hawaii. Max said the weather was wonderful and they had a good time. On the way home, they spent the week of Thanksgiving with friends and relatives and went to see the Joey Bishop show...JOE HULL, Paint Shop, is in Chicago Osteopathic hospital. Joe had an operation on his foot, and we wish him a very speedy recovery.

- Elaine Steward

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Congratulations to ARTHUR and JUDITH BOYACK, Congress, on the birth of their daughter, MICHELLE LEE, born October 14. Mother and baby are doing fine, but daddy is still a bit shaken from the big event...Our condolences to the family of P. SABADOSA, 54th Shop, on the passing of his brother, and also to the family of D. ROBERTSON, Congress, whose father-in-law passed away...Best of luck to F. BENANTI, Congress, and his family who are now residing in El Paso, Texas...P. SODEN, Congress, is back at work after a four-week visit to friends and family in Ireland...A. LONG paid a visit to all of his friends at Congress. Al looks and feels in the best of health...Wishes for a complete and speedy recovery are sent to the wife of pensioner RALPH DANIELSON who underwent a gall bladder

operation...Congratulations to LYNN LA BELLARTE, the daughter of JOE LA BELLARTE, Terminal Inspection Shop Office, who received a scholarship to the University of Illinois at Champaign. Lynn will study in the field of special education for handicapped children. Best of luck in her new career...A surprise party was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. HERMAN IZZO, 54th Shop, who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on October 18. The special gifts the Izzos received were visits from their sons, EDWARD, who is stationed aboard the U.S.S. Tang at Pearl Harbor, and THOMAS, who is in the Army stationed at Fort Carson, Colorado. Wishes for continued happiness are sent their way...While his wife was visiting in Michigan, ADOLPH KUNZ, 54th Shop, spent his vacation loafing around the house...PETE SABADOSA, 54th Street, is now the proud owner of a new Mercury Montego...Wonder if we can convince PETE GAZA, 54th Shop, to pass out a few samples of his canned cuisine...A hearty welcome to H. SLOVICK, J. O'CONNOR, M. PALAGIOS, D. KILPATRICK, C. JOHNSON, M. BESS, N. BROUGHTON, C. HARRINGTON, and L. SWANSON new men at Congress...Congratulations are in order for J. CAMPBELL, J. COLBERT, C. WILLIAMS, and C. TUCKNOTT who were promoted to "B" repairmen; D. PAPALEO who was promoted to "A" repairman, and to new instructors L. MONAGHAN and D. NICOSIA. M. BESS, a new man at Congress, was promoted to motor blower... Welcome to L. KASPER and E. WOODWARD, new car servicemen at Howard...A winter wonderland vacation was enjoyed by A. MISCHKE who spent his time off in Wisconsin...Basking in the warm winter sun of Florida is how J. BRODIE, Wilson, spent his vacation...A brisk winter vacation was enjoyed by R. DWYER, P. CZAJA, J. DINKINS, J. CUNNINGHAM, R. LAUDANSKI, G. COLUMBO, J. HENDERSON, G. DAVIS, C. CARPENTER, R. HOLMES, E. BLICKARZ, M. DUKE, L. ZIELINSKI, and J. O'TOOLE... Here is this month's riddle: What man in what shop can sprout his ears and fly--he is known as Bimbo? Watch for the answer in next month's issue...Seasons greetings for a very merry and blessed Christmas and a healthy and happy New Year to all.

- Ray Brzezek

ATTENDING THE open house held November 28 honoring the retirement of JOHN J. GEARY, General Accounting, were the following members of his family (from left to right): his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. Morse; John; his granddaughter, Kathy Morse; his son, Daniel; Mrs. Geary, and his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Schaeben.

WEST SECTION -

Ho, Ho, Ho, and a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all you lovely people out there. LOU PAYNE and myself and family sincerely hope that the holidays are joyous for you and your families, and that Santa Claus will fulfill everyones wishes for Christmas. Here are a few presents I would like to hand out. A girl-friend for JAMIE GORDON, for he seems so out of place when the fellows talk about girls. For J. JOVANOVICH a shiny new bicycle to ride. I have seen him drive his car, so I still think he needs a bike. To GEORGE WOODMORE and DAN BRUNO a new set of miniature trains for they enjoy playing with them. To LEN KUKOWINSKI just a little smile for he has never had any. My wife said I should get a zipper for my big mouth so I can keep it shut sometime. When I finish this column, away she will go, visiting the moon...What big changes we have had. First traveling on the Dan Ryan, and now system seniority. To the pensioners who might not know about the changes, we now travel from Harlem to the Loop and from their we go by the Dan Ryan to 95th street. We make just three trips and it is like laying off. On the system seniority we are losing quite a few friends, even if they still will be working the Ryan. I might miss a few of their names, but if I do, forgive me. They are: C. J. JONES, CLARENCE HEARNS, EARL SINGLETON, HANK COLDING, JESSE RICHARDSON and his son, L. RICHARDSON, H. WASHINGTON, W. BATTLES, T. VERNON, and my friend, WILLIAM PAYNE, who has been my motorman this pick and I hate to lose him. I am sorry that I neglected to mention that two of our finest men, B. FRANKLIN and KEN BROWN, were made supervisors and will do a fine job. Well, there goes two more fellow I won't have to buy Christmas gifts for...Congratulations to THEOPHILUS LEE and his lovely bride, CYNTHIA, on their recent marriage. May they have success and happiness. I hate to say it, but I thought Santo was an odd name--but Theophilus, that's the end...We are still keeping a smile on Superintendent ED HEATTER's face by winning another safety award. So continue your good work and may we keep on winning them... Three of our finest went on pension, Chief Clerk ED BROWN, Conductor HARRY SCHLESSER, and Motorman JOHN WINIECKI. May they have many years of happiness. ..IKE HOUSTON was bragging about having turkey stuffed with chitterlings. I might be bias, but turkey stuffed with macaroni is a lot better...Saw TOM PATTERSON wearing a wool mask while flagging and by gosh, he hasn't looked that good in years. Now for sure, I won't get Tom to smash my grapes with his big feet next wine season...I saw JIM LUDWIG at a gathering and the old duffer sure looked good. Maybe it's because he has such a pretty young wife...Pensioner FRANK CARD visited the car house and informed us he had an operation and was now recuperating. As soon as it gets a little colder, he will head for Florida...Good old CARMAN PETRUCCI got on my train and is doing fine. He met SAL DETOMASO at the elections and as usual they ended up talking about old times...R. McGOVERN, off sick after being burned on the leg while eating in a restaurant, is coming along fine and should be back to work soon...We would all like to extend our condolences to RUDY PTACIN on the death of his father and brother, whose deaths were two days apart. We would also like to extend our condolences to JOHN BARRETT on the death of his sister who lived in Ireland...Next month I will write about our Christmas party and all who attended. See you all then, and may we have peace the rest of our days.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

69TH STREET -

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all, and this even includes my leaders. A lot of changes have been made in the past year and may this one bring even better ones...Our boss, Station Superintendent THOMAS SCREEN, joined the ranks of the retired and CARL GIBES replaced him as station superintendent. The very best to them both for years to come...Other fellows retiring are: G. MILLER, P. PIETSCH, J. WEDEL, and BILL CAVANAUGH. We wish these fellows many years of health and happiness. This leaves PETE SPOO as our number one man now...Last November W. HENDRY rode on my bus. He retired in 1956, but left 69th in 1954 to go to 77th Street Station. He had been operated on for cataracts and can now see fine and is enjoying good health at the age of 79...I saw J. H. KANE, former 69th operator, and at one time a top headliner as a wrestler. He is now a collector and feeling fine...I also saw JAMES G. McGARRITY, former operator at 69th, who is now a traffic checker. He said he had the best job for seven months of the year. I wonder what he meant by that?

I wish to thank everyone for their concern and expressions of sympathy on the loss of my brother; and we would like to extend our deepest sympathy to O. WHITE on the loss of his beloved wife...WALTER SHIPYOR went to Oleny, Illinois, for Thanksgiving where he ate rabbit, squirrel, and quail. Olney has a white squirrel population of over 800, and it is illegal to shoot or trap them, with fines ranging from $250 to $500...Instructor SWANSON was given a going-away kiss from VI when he left for Florida on his vacation. When he returned, the Union restaurant greeted him with a bill for $28.00. His friends claimed he said to charge their coffee and rolls to his bill...The look on Instructor M. J. O'DONNELL's face was something to see after he explained how burglar-proof the new fare boxes are. You see, someone stole his demonstrator fare box...One of the best leaders I ever had, R. LIPARI, holds a record of sorts. He can eat an order of eggs, toast, potatoes, and coffee in less than three minutes...Some of the fellows can hardly wait to see M. PACHOLIK play the new organ he got for Christmas.

While H. RONS was giving the fellows a bad time at the last pick, a bus driver, with badge 5951, was observed picking pockets...PAUL VASILOPULOUS and GEORGE ALLEN went to take their drivers examination, and said the instructor hasn't been the same since...GROVER MIELKE is my kind of operator. He always has a big smile and a kind word...Don't forget the annual credit union meeting, January 16, 1970. The annual dividend is now 4½ per cent, so let's save where it helps our own brothers... Mrs. YOUNG I didn't forget you, but MICKEY has been so good now that Christmas is coming, that I have nothing to report...From the Repair Department, JIMMY AHERN reports that congratulations are in order for Repairman BILL BERNDT for winning first place in the road rally in Oak Lawn on October 26. Keep that trophy shining, Bill...Congratulations to ELMER GOBIELE and PETE REICH who recently retired. Here's wishing them many years of health and happiness...CHARLEY WILLIAMS did some fishing in the Gulf of Mexico while on his vacation. He caught some big ones and said he enjoyed every minute of it...Night Foreman FRANK FLYNN is recuperating from an accident. ..Pensioners LES BERNARD, MIKE CARR, CON CROWLEY, and ERNIE TOCCI paid us a visit and are all looking fine in their retirement...Our sympathy to Day Foreman GEORGE MORRELL on the loss of his father...Please drop any news in the Transit News mail box to the right of the clerks window, or give it to me or Jimmy Ahern.

- Arthur P. Buesing

77TH STREET -

Well, fellows, vacation time is over for most of us, and we are approaching the gala-holiday season. It is also that time of year that we bus operators dread so let's gird ourselves with our thermal knits and all of our professional skills in order to get through another winter!..Operator KENNARD has returned from vacation and we understand that his wife, LAVERNE, had him chained to the ladder until he completed the painting of their home...Operator W. WALKER and his family have returned from sunny California where they visited relatives for two weeks...Operator DURKIN enjoyed a three-week vacation in the Pelican State--Louisiana...We are sorry to hear that Operator SHIRLEY WILLIS is ill...Operator JOHN HOWARD is confined in Little Company of Mary hospital...Senior Clerk McCARTHY has returned to work after being off ill. Glad to see you back, Mac...The 77th Street basketball team played Keeler Station in a practice game on October 24. We lost a close game with the score 48 to 46. However, in losing the game, we were able to determine some of our weaknesses. According to Coach R. WILLIAMS, we are going to have a good team--one that 77th Street can be proud of. We have the talent, and the fellows are working hard to give us a winner in league play. The dates of the games will be posted in the station. The team is asking that our fellow operators support them by attending the games...Operator THEO J. WILCOP went into the wilds of Scherville, Quebec, and came out with a 350-pound bull caribou. Our congratulations to "Dead-Eye Dick" on his successful hunt...We would like to receive news from the bowling league regarding scores and high games so we can put the information in print...Instructor J. C. WHITE and his wife celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on November 13, and on Saturday, November 15 they repeated their marriage vows at a 5:30 mass at St. Dorothy's church. Congratulations to Mrs. White for putting up with J.C. all these years...Operator ARTHUR LEWIS and his family vacationed in Las Vegas and Los Angeles...Operator FRANK GLEASON and his wife, ANN, spent three weeks in the Ozarks. They had a most delightful time visiting with Pensioner GUS NICODEMUS and his wife, LILLY, of Buffalo, Missouri. The Gleasons were entertained by Gus' marvelous singing dog, Trixie. Frank and Ann also spent a wonderful evening with Pensioner ART MUIR and his wife, RUTH, of Forsyth, Missouri...We extend our sincere sympathy to the family of Pensioner EUGENE SULLIVAN who passed away recently...Our deepest sympathy to the Edwards family in the loss of their loved one. R. L. EDWARDS Sr. and R. L. EDWARDS Jr. are both operators at 77th Street...Our condolences are also extended to Supervisor H. B. WILLIAMS and his family in the passing of his son, HARRIS L. WILLIAMS, on November 5...Condolences to Operator TRUITT and his family in the passing of his father, PAUL TRUITT...Seaman Second Class PHILIP IRWIN is now enroute to Viet Nam. His father, Operator JAMES IRWIN, received a telegram from him while he was in the Phillipines...We would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and thanks for helping us in reporting the news at 77th Street.

- Amos Foster & Elcosie Gresham

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Rapid Transit

THE THIRD expansion of CTA's rapid transit system completed within a year, the Kennedy extension was dedicated Friday, January 30, and began operation Sunday, February 1.

Officiating at the ceremonies on Friday was Mayor Richard J. Daley, who was joined on the speakers' platform by Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent and others, including Ralph R. Bartelsmeyer, director of the Bureau of Public Roads, who represented the U.S. Department of Transportation which provided for two-thirds of the project cost.

Following the dedication at Logan Square station, dignitaries and guests traveled over the new extension to inspect bus-rapid transit interchange facilities at the Jefferson Park station (shown on our cover). Trains were operated over the length of the extension during the afternoon, providing free rides for about 10,000 persons who came to test-ride the new route.

Starting at 5:30 a.m. on Sunday, the West-Northwest rapid transit route was officially extended over the new 5-mile line from a connection with the existing structure near Sacramento and Milwaukee avenues.

Serves Kennedy Median

A visual record of the events during the first few days of operation on the new line include the first train breaking through a paper sign (far left, above); Mayor Daley being "pinned" as a first day rider by Kay Corcoran, secretary to the Transit Board Chairman (left, above); riders boarding a train at Logan Square subway station for a free ride (above); a southbound train of new Budd cars approaching the Addison station in the median of the Kennedy Expressway (left, below); passengers boarding buses in the Jefferson Park terminal (below), and speakers addressing the crowd on the Logan Square platform during the dedication (right, from top to bottom): Mayor Richard J. Daley, Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent, Congressman Daniel Rostenkowski, Congressman Roman Pucinski, and Bureau of Public Roads Director Ralph R. Bartelsmeyer.

14 Bus Routes Revised to Serve Kennedy Extension

A New Record for the Most Route Changes at One Time? See Story Below

WELCOMED BY residents of the Village of Harwood Heights was the new 64 Foster-Lowrence bus route which began operation on February 1. In the picture, Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent and Mayor Harold M. Majeske are shown with other officials of the Northwest suburb marking the inauguration of the new service. They are, from left, Trustees Donold Zeiger and Ray Kobierecke, Mayor Majeske, Mr. DeMent, Trustees Cal Tansor and Frank Rubina, and Leo Miller, plan commission chairman. The new 64 route was formed from two CTA routes, 85A Foster-Central and 81 Lawrence, and operates on Gunnison street through an area never before served by CTA.

CHANGES TO 14 bus routes became effective February 1, coincident with the opening of the new Kennedy Rapid Transit extension, resulting in alterations of travel patterns for thousands of CTA riders.

Several bus routes were split, some were consolidated, and others were simply rerouted--all were revised to provide service direct to new rapid transit stations. Twenty-one bus routes now serve the six new stations on Chicago's Northwest Side.

The changes were looked upon by many passengers and CTA operating employes as the greatest number ever made at one time--but the old timers know better. The unrivaled date for making the most surface route changes is September 14, 1924.

Affected on that date 45 years ago were a total of 35 streetcar lines operating in the Loop. Because of mounting traffic congestion downtown, it was necessary to eliminate streetcar left turns and to reduce the number of right turns and switchback moves. Among major changes made at the time were the extension of several streetcar lines to new turnback points outside the Loop: Broadway cars were sent South to Harrison street, Halsted-Downtown and Wentworth cars were sent north to Chicago avenue, Lake street cars were through-routed with State street south to 63rd street. Seven streetcar routes that duplicated other services were discontinued, including Chicago-Downtown and these through routes: Clybourn-Wentworth No. 2, State-Milwaukee No. 6, State-Madison No. 7, Ogden-Clark No. 11, Blue Island-Wells No. 12, and 12th-Ogden-Wells No. 14.

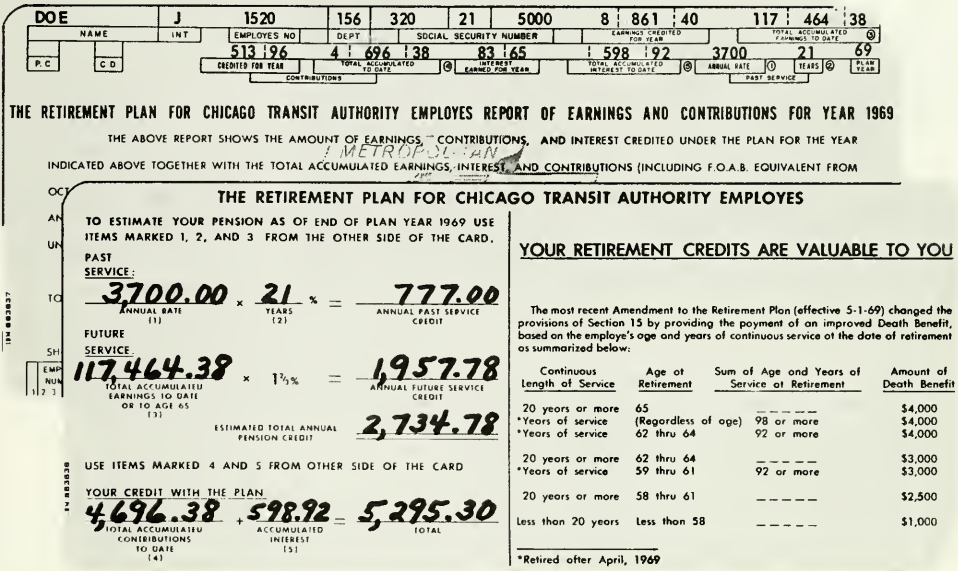
Care to guess when the greatest changes in rapid transit operations were put into effect? If you think it was last September 28, when the inner loop direction was reversed and the new Dan Ryan extension was opened, you are wrong. Rather, it was 56 years ago when the four rapid transit companies were coordinated with one management on November 3, 1913. At that time, North-South trains were through routed from as far north as Linden avenue, Wilmette, to as far south as 69th street and loop operation became counterclockwise only. South Side trains were changed to the outer loop track where they operated with North Side trains. Lake street trains were changed to the inner track where they operated with Metropolitan West Side trains.

To further complicate matters, the two companies operating left-handed were changed to right-hand operation. Both the Lake Street Elevated and Northwestern Elevated (North Side lines) had operated in the left-hand continental style since operations started.

Major changes to transit service are made for only one reason--to better serve our riders. And although not every employe is directly involved in the numerous changes, we must all adjust to the times and keep abreast of new routings so that our riders can depend upon us for accurate travel information.

CTA Retirement Plan:

• 419 Pension Applications Approved in 1969
• April Distribution for Report Cards Announced



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NAME | INT | EMPLOYES NO | DEPT | SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER | EARNINGS CREDITED FOR YEAR | TOTAL ACCUMULATED EARNINGS TO DATE

P.C | C.D | 513 | 96 | 4 | 696 | 38 | 83 | 65 | 598 | 92 | 3700 | 21 | 69

CREDITED FOR YEAR | TOTAL ACCUMULATED TO DATE | INTEREST EARNED FOR YEAR | TOTAL ACCUMULATED INTEREST TO DATE | ANNUAL RATE | YEARS | PLAN YEAR

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THE RETIREMENT PLAN FOR CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY EMPLOYES REPORT OF EARNINGS AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR YEAR 1969

THE ABOVE REPORT SHOWS THE AMOUNT OF EARNINGS, CONTRIBUTIONS, AND INTEREST CREDITED UNDER THE PLAN FOR THE YEAR INDICATED ABOVE TOGETHER WITH THE TOTAL ACCUMULATED EARNINGS, INTEREST, AND CONTRIBUTIONS (INCLUDING F.O.A.B. EQUIVALENT FROM

THE RETIREMENT PLAN FOR CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY EMPLOYES

TO ESTIMATE YOUR PENSION AS OF END OF PLAN YEAR 1969 USE ITEMS MARKED 1, 2, AND 3 FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE CARD.

PAST SERVICE:

3,700.00 (ANNUAL RATE (1)) × 21 (YEARS (2)) % = 777.00 (ANNUAL PAST SERVICE CREDIT)

FUTURE SERVICE:

117,464.38 (TOTAL ACCUMULATED EARNINGS TO DATE OR TO AGE 65 (3)) × 1⅔% = 1,957.78 (ANNUAL FUTURE SERVICE CREDIT)

ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL PENSION CREDIT 2,734.78

USE ITEMS MARKED 4 AND 5 FROM OTHER SIDE OF THE CARD

YOUR CREDIT WITH THE PLAN

4,696.38 (TOTAL ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS TO DATE (4)) + 598.92 (ACCUMULATED INTEREST (5)) = 5,295.30 (TOTAL)

YOUR RETIREMENT CREDITS ARE VALUABLE TO YOU

The most recent Amendment to the Retirement Plan (effective 5-1-69) changed the provisions of Section 15 by providing the payment of an improved Death Benefit, based on the employe's age and years of continuous service at the date of retirement as summarized below:

Continuous Length of Service	Age at Retirement	Sum of Age and Years of Service at Retirement	Amount of Death Benefit
20 years or more	65	_____	$4,000
*Years of service	(Regardless of age)	98 or more	$4,000
*Years of service	62 thru 64	92 or more	$4,000
20 years or more	62 thru 64	_____	$3,000
*Years of service	59 thru 61	92 or more	$3,000
20 years or more	58 thru 61	_____	$2,500
Less than 20 years	Less than 58	_____	$1,000

*Retired after April, 1969

RETIREMENT PLAN report cards showing each employe's credit in the Plan as of December 31, 1969, will be distributed system-wide between April 1 and 9, according to W. A. Ashley, Plan secretary.

The cards may be used to estimate retirement benefits and total credit with the Plan as of the last payday of 1969, as was done in the facsimile above. Employes are advised to retain the cards for ready reference.

Mr. Ashley also announced that during 1969 approval was given by the Retirement Committee to 419 pension applications of CTA employes. Of that total, 184 applicants had reached the normal retirement age of 65 years, 173 were early retirements in the age group under 65, and 62 were disability retirements.

Contributions to the Retirement Plan during 1969 totaled $18,053,374--contributions by employes were $6,542,058, and CTA contributions amounted to $11,511,316. Approved during the year were disbursements totaling $11,286,408 covering payments to retired employes, refunds to employes who terminated their services and to deceased employes' beneficiaries, and expenses of adminstration.

During 1969 assets of the fund increased $10,396,167, making a total of $70,061,940 as of December 31 held by the Continental Illinois Bank and Trust Company, trustee for the Plan.

These funds held by the trustee are invested in U.S. government securities, Farm Home Administration loans, corporate bonds and notes, common stock, and CTA revenue bonds.

Section 15, Paragraph 15.7 of the Retirement Plan was amended effective May 1, 1969, changing the provision of the payment of the Death Benefit as follows:

Those who retire at or after age sixty-two (62) and the sum of whose age and years of continuous service is ninety-two (92) or more; or the sum of whose age and years of continuous service at his retirement date is ninety-eight (98) or more - $4,000.00.

Those who retire at or after age fifty-nine (59) and prior to age sixty-two (62) and the sum of whose age and years of continuous service at his retirement date is ninety-two (92) or more - $3,000.00.

Those who retire with less then twenty (20) years continuous service or whose retirement occurs prior to his attainment of age fifty-eight (58) - $1,000.00.

$4805 IN SUGGESTION AWARDS SHARED BY CTAERS IN 1969

WHETHER YOU use it to carry CTA keys or your own house and car keys, you are sure to find the new CTA key chain handy. To obtain yours, all you have to do is submit a suggestion--but do it **TODAY**, the supply is limited.

SHOPS AND EQUIPMENT Department employes displayed their ingenuity by submitting the greatest number of adoptable suggestions last year according to the 1969 Annual Report of the Employe Suggestion Plan.

Of the $4,805 in suggestion awards presented to employes during 1969, more than half were won by S&E employes. In all, $2,795 was earned by members of that department; $2,470 for 60 new suggestions adopted during the year and $325 as supplemental awards on five suggestions adopted in 1968. With 55 suggestions adopted during 1969, General Office employes won $1,375.

During 1969, 1,124 employes participated in the Plan by submitting a total of 1,256 suggestions. In all, 24,634 suggestions have been received since establishment of the present system-wide suggestion plan on October 1, 1952. During the same period, to December 31, 1969, a total of 2,230 suggestions have been adopted and a total of $45,618 has been paid out to employes in awards.

The approximate value of first year savings realized through the adoption of suggestions during 1969 are estimated as $33,635. According to the report, total savings realized since the Plan went into effect amount to $324,795.

In its announcement of award winners whose suggestions were adopted late in 1969, the Executive Decision Committee of the Employe Sugesstion Plan named 11 CTAers who won cash awards totaling $505, an employe who won a supplemental award of $50, and 17 employes who won honorable mention awards.

Receiving a check for $265 for his adopted suggestion was Walter C. Hallford Sr., Shops & Equipment—North Park. Other year-end cash award winners were Andrew J. Bourne and Richard L. Nelson, Electrical—Clifton Substation, who split $35; William P. Rafferty, S&E—South Shops, who won $30; and Edward D. Gertz, Engineering—South Shops, and Harold W. Thurbush, Transportation—West Section, who won awards of $25 each.

Five employes who submitted their second adoptable suggestion within a year and received $25 cash awards include: S&E—Dave Guereca, Skokie Shops, and Winmon Lewis Jr., South Shops. General Office—Regina H. Daren, Medical; Eileen Neurauter, Public Information, and William H. Vigus, Engineering. Mrs. Daren, who submitted four suggestions which were adopted, received two $25 awards.

In addition to their cash awards, each of the above also had their choice of a $7 Jewel-Osco gift certificate or a Zippo lighter/tape rule set.

As a supplemental award for his suggestion adopted one year ago, Edgar Shaw, Engineering—West Shops, was presented a check for $50 because of the continued savings realized through the adoption of his idea.

Those named for honorable mention awards because they submitted their first adoptable suggestion, making them eligible to receive a gift certificate or lighter/tape rule set, are: S&E—Vernon Howe, J. M. Marron, William R. Novotny, and William P. Rafferty, all of South Shops; Alvin J. Krzeminski, Skokie Shops, and Edward Pala, Archer. Transportation—Howard Ross and Harold Thurbush, West Section; Rita M. Heinze and Charles F. Triplett, South Section, and George Henke, North Section. General Office—Regina H. Daren and Mary Ledwith, Medical; William L. Hutchings, Engineering, and Harold F. Burda, Property Accounting. Engineering—Walter C. Hallford Jr., and James M. Nagel, West Shops.

Acting upon all suggestions received from CTA employes is the four-man coordinating committee consisting of R. T. Warnstedt, suggestion coordinator; J. R. Blaa, superintendent of rapid transit operations, Transportation Department; R. H. Martz, Equipment Research and Development, and J. F. Urbaszewski, Engineering Department.

Determining the merit of each suggestion and the amounts of awards is the Executive Decision Committee of the Employe Suggestion Plan. The committee consists of Chairman C. E. Keiser, operating manager; Executive Secretary F. C. Knautz, superintendent of public and employe relations; G. J. Clark, superintendent of shops and equipment; D. M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation; P. J. Meinardi, manager of finance, and E. E. Olmstead, superintendent of engineering.

CTAer, Daughter Take First Day Inspection Rides on Congress, Kennedy Rapid Transit Routes

1958 . . .

. . . 1970

TAKING HIS daughter for a free ride on CTA is getting to be a habit with Walter Blix, North Avenue Station switchboard operator. A free ride on CTA, of course, is hard to come by, but Walter timed his with the opening of new rapid transit lines.

In 1958, Walter and his six-year old daughter, Tomi Jean, took a free ride on June 21 when the new Congress route was opened. They are shown above in the motorman's cab of a 6000 series rapid transit car. At the time Walter was an acting supervisor in District "C" and Tomi was in kindergarten.

In 1970, Walter and 17-year old Tomi took a free ride on January 30 following dedication of the new Kennedy route. They are shown in the cab of a new 2200 series car. Tomi is now a senior at Schurz high school and following graduation in June she plans to take nurses training at Ravenswood hospital. She recently became engaged to William Greisenauer and they are to be married on August 16. Mr. Greisenauer is managing editor of the Addison Revue, a weekly publication in Addison, Illinois.

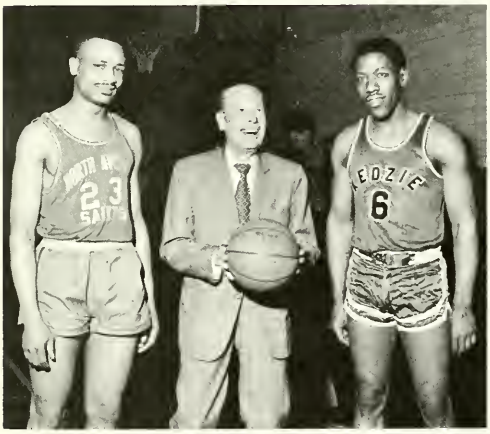
Seven Stations Cited for 1969 Safety Records

SAFETY ACHIEVEMENTS of CTA operating employes made 1969 a record-breaking year on two accounts: 1969 was the safest year for the rapid transit system, and in 1969 the surface system had an all-time yearly low for passenger accidents. Contributing most to the safety improvements were seven stations where passenger and traffic accidents reached a new low in 1969. Cited for their safest year in CTA history were three surface system stations, 77th Street, Limits, and North Park, and four rapid transit system stations, Forest Park, Logan Square, Kimball, and Howard Street. Accepting the awards for their stations are the superintendents pictured here with Operating Manager C. E. Keiser. They are, from left, seated: J. A. Knerr, 77th Street, Mr. Keiser, and R. K. Keag, North Park. Standing: M. H. DeWitt, Limits assistant superintendent, E. J. Heatter, Forest Park and Logan Square, and K. L. Manaugh, Kimball and Howard.

Kedzie Station Wins Basketball Tournament

THE CHAMPS! Kedzie Station's tournament winning basketball team is pictured here with Division 241 and CTA representatives, including left to right, kneeling: P. Branch, J. Cruthird, and J. Thomas; first row: Division 241 Financial Secretary-Treasurer J. Pate, M. Webb, S. Miller, E. Richardson, Coach C. Watts, J. Robinson, L. Harris, and C. Hassel; back row: Kedzie Station Board Member W. Reynolds, Kedzie Station Superintendent M. F. Harrington, CTA Superintendent of Instruction T. M. Stiglic, Division 241 First Vice-President W. Larsen, and F. MacHerron.

TO GET the championship game underway in the picture below, Transit Board Chairman G. L. DeMent prepares to toss up the game ball between Wade Simmons, North Avenue Station team captain and Leon Harris, Kedzie Station team captain.



A BASKETBALL tournament, comprised of 11 teams representing various departments and operating stations where members of Division 241 of the Amalgamated Transit Union are employed, was completed on March 10 with the championship game between North Avenue and Kedzie Stations. Kedzie was the winner by a score of 75 to 67. In the consolation game between 77th Street and Beverly Stations, Beverly won by 78 to 72.

Games played over a ten-week period narrowed down the competition to the four teams in the playoffs. The intense spirit of competitiveness and participation among the players stimulated a large attendance of co-workers and friends to spur the teams to victory.

This was part of an after-hours sports and recreational program organized by Division 241 in cooperation with Chicago Transit Authority to establish a healthful and psychological relationship among its members.

The well-rounded sports program is under the direction of Operator Agis Bray of Beverly Station, a former member of the famous Harlem Globe Trotters, and his assistant, Operator Jackie Robinson of Kedzie Station. The program encompasses a variety of sports, including basketball, softball, volleyball, golf, horseshoes, bowling, and checkers. Softball is the next team sports activity on the agenda.

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R. J. Bailey and A. A. Ekelmann Join Retirement Ranks

WITH COMBINED service totaling 84 years, R. J. Bailey and A. A. Ekelmann retired January 1 as Forest Glen Station superintendent and Charter Service sales manager, respectively.

Mr. Bailey joined the Surface Lines as a motorman on May 7, 1926, and was among the first CSL employes to qualify as a bus operator in 1927. He was appointed superintendent of Forest Glen Station in April, 1958. Mr. Bailey is shown in the picture at the left receiving congratulations from General Manager T. B. O'Connor as Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn looks on.

Mr. Ekelmann started with the Motor Coach as a driver on June 3, 1929, and at the time of purchase of that company by CTA he was in charge of charter bus sales. He was assigned to CTA's Charter Service and in February, 1963, became sales manager of that department. Mr. Ekelmann is being congratulated upon his retirement by Superintendent of Public and Employe Relations F. C. Knautz.

Free Health Check-up for Chicagoans

A SPECIAL community health program was announced recently by the City of Chicago Board of Health which enables residents between the ages of 30 and 64 to undergo, WITHOUT COST, tests for high blood pressure, diabetes, hardening of the arteries, kidney disease, and cancer.

CTA employes may participate in the program by taking a check-up which includes the following: height, weight, blood pressure, electrocardiogram, blood test for diabetes, urine examination, cancer examination for women, and tonometry (eye test for glaucoma detection).

Application may be made for an appointment at either of two examining centers by completing the form at the right and mailing it to the location you wish to visit. On the South Side is the Dearborn Examining Center, 2731 South Dearborn street, which is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. On the North Side is the Lathrop Examining Center, 2974 North Clybourn avenue, which is open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The free testing program is being provided to control the above diseases, which are most common in those over 30. According to the Board of Health, prevention and successful treatment depend upon early discovery of these diseases.

I would like to have the tests you offer at (check one box and mail to examining center):

☐ Dearborn Examining Center
2731 S. Dearborn St., Chgo., Ill. 60616

☐ Lathrop Examining Center
2974 N. Clybourn Ave., Chgo., Ill. 60618

Name:_____Age:____

Address:_____

Telephone:_____

I understand that I will be contacted for an appointment.

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin,

CTA Medical Consultant

THE COMMON COLD

WE LIVE in an age of scientific genius--we've reached the moon, we can give someone a new heart. But for all of our knowledge and skills, we can't keep the tiniest of organisms from inflaming and clogging our respiratory tracts. The common cold delayed the flight of Apollo 9, and pneumonia stalks the heart recipient.

The cold is the most common of all human illnesses. It is world wide. Almost everybody has at least one cold during the year and many of us have two or three. Young children have more colds than adults. There is no proven reason for this; however, it may be that contacts in school are more common, or that children are not as careful as adults, or it may be that it takes years for people to develop resistance to colds. This is the time of the year when colds are most prevalent.

"Old King Cold" is a king-size troublemaker and costs the United States five or six billions annually in lost wages, lost production, and medical expenses. More important than the financial loss, is the widespread human suffering the illness brings. Moreover, in cases where complications arise there are also many lives lost.

Common colds and the flu have many similarities. They both are caused by the same viruses. They both start as a head cold with running nose, sneezing, fever, sore throat, and general pains and are highly communicable. The typical flu case has more deep-seated symptoms with systemic reactions. Fever is higher, weakness more pronounced, and serious complications more frequent in the flu patients. From here on most of the discussion will be confined to the common cold.

How are colds transmitted? The viruses or microbes which cause colds are present in great numbers in the throat and nasal secretions of the infected person. The disease is spread when the secretions leave the sick person's body and enter the mouths or noses of other people. The most frequent way this happens is by sneezing or coughing. High speed photography shows that a sneeze sprays the secretions a distance of about three feet. Other ways of transmission are by kissing or by the common use of drinking glasses, towels, and other subjects which have been freshly soiled by these secretions. Handkerchiefs are common storehouses of germs. The most contagious time for a cold is the first two or three days. Management of the common cold will be discussed from the preventative standpoint and lastly the treatment after you have actually contracted the disease.

Following are a few important preventative measures: Keep in top physical condition by following the simple rules of good hygiene, namely adequate rest and sleep, moderate diet with plenty of fluids, reasonable exercise, proper clothing, correct heating and ventilation of living, sleeping, and working quarters. Avoid twin dangers--chilling and overheating--either of which can weaken body resistance. You may further improve your physical condition and resistance by avoiding fatigue and crowded places. Where there are crowds there are apt to be people with colds.

Preventative "shots" or vaccine injections for the common cold or flu are a controversial subject. No successful vaccine for the common cold has been discovered. However, it has been shown that flu vaccines will successfully immunize against certain types (maybe about 50 per cent) of all flu viruses.

If you are unfortunate enough to contract a cold, here are a few suggestions:

1. Stay home especially during the early stages. If you do go out or to work you will only spread the infection by talking, sneezing, and coughing.
2. Cover all sneezes and coughs. When blowing your nose, do it gently and use disposable tissues or clean handkerchiefs. You should also use your own towels, dishes, and utensils.
3. Stay in bed especially during the first few days.
4. Take a warm bath or shower frequently. This stimulates circulation in the skin and makes you feel better and helps you to relax.
5. Eat a well balanced diet with emphasis on more fluids than usual. This helps elimination.
6. Use steam from a kettle or a vaporizer to relieve nasal congestion.
7. Liniments and ointments externally have no particular merit but will probably do no harm.
8. Don't experiment with "cold pills or nose drops." Aspirin frequently relieves headaches and body pains. Penicillin and antibiotics are usually of no help except where there are complications. If you are no better in a few days or if the fever persists, it is not a common cold any longer. Under these circumstances you should consult your personal physician without delay.

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (General) -

ANDREW FITZSIMONS, general accountant, and his wife, LEONA, are to be congratulated. They celebrated 43 years of marriage on December 29. They had a private gathering of family and grandchildren and dinner at a local restaurant...Our congratulations to GEORGE PELLICORE. On January 5, George completed 50 years of service with the CTA. He began his career as a very young man with the old Chicago Surface Lines...JOE LAZZARA took a group of cub scouts to the Jack and Jill Playhouse. Joe, a den leader, had his son, JOE, in the group...BERNARD KANE spent his vacation doing what he said he was going to do--nothing, relaxing, watching TV and catching up on things...THOMAS McGRATH and his wife spent the Christmas holidays with a son, daughter-in-law, and grandchildren in Old Greenwich, Connecticut...A very exciting vacation was experienced by PHYLLIS WHITE. She traveled to San Francisco where the weather was beautiful. She enjoyed the beautiful flowers which were even on the street corners. She rode on the trolley cars, visited Fisherman's Wharf, Japanese Tea Gardens, and other interesting spots. While in San Francisco she was among the crowd celebrating Beethoven's Birthday. For this occasion, the people of San Francisco baked a huge cake in the shape of a grand piano with Schroeder, from the Peanuts comic strip, playing the piano and afterwards everyone in the downtown area was given a piece of cake. Phyllis visited Buir Woods where the giant redwoods are. She traveled to Las Vegas and saw some shows, among them Buddy Hackett and Sammy Davis Jr.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

(Tabulating) -

ROBERT RISE flew to Detroit, Michigan, and to Omaha, Nebraska, visiting friends and sampling those famous Omaha steaks. Bob also drove to Bridgeman, Michigan, to help his father celebrate his 75th birthday. The rest of his vacation was spent Christmas shopping. . . CLARENCE BUTHMAN spent his vacation in Waterloo, Illinois, visiting relatives during the New Year holidays. Condolences are offered to Clarence and his family in the death of a young brother-in-law. . . A belated Christmas gift weighing 8 pounds 11½ ounces arrived on December 26 to the delight of grandparents MIKE and HELEN ROMAS. Mike works at the Kedzie repair department. This wonderful Christmas package is called BRIAN ALLEN KRETZ...On December 18, the Key Punch Department enjoyed a wonderful Christmas luncheon at Henrici's, and thanks to PAT POLIC, who managed the party, a good time was had by all...BARBARA DEN HAMER is back to work after surgery feeling much better. Nice to have you back, Barb.

- Evelyn Lee

(Payroll) -

What started out to be a happy snow outing for DORIS YOST and her husband, FRED, turned into a near disaster for them. They were engaged in that popular winter sport of snow-mobiling in the Channel Lake area, when their vehicle suddenly plunged through the ice into the lake. Fortunately a young boy saw them and called his father who came to help them. After he made a few attempts with a hockey stick, ladder, and rope they were rescued and taken into their benefactor's home where their clothing was dried. However, they were taken by ambulance to the Medical Center where they were given first aid and pronounced in good physical condition after their harrowing experience. We were all very happy to see that Doris had merely suffered a small scratch on her forehead and nose when she told us of her hectic weekend. From now on, we are sure that they will confine their swimming activities to the summer time.

- Clara Lawrence

BEVERLY -

The recent below-zero cold wave was received with many complaints and commendations from our passengers, but we wonder if we ever think of the men we work with every day. We would like to commend Operators LLOYD PEDERSEN and CHARLES HOLLEY who know the meaning of teamwork and practice it every day. Thanks, fellows... Clerk JOHN KIRBY has left us to go to 77th Depot and we are sorry to see you go. Hope you will return soon, John... We express our sympathy to the families of the following: Operator HAROLD MARHOFFER who passed away; Pensioner JOSEPH BRADY who went to his eternal reward; Supervisor THOMAS QUINN in the loss of his wife, and to Instructor ED SWANSON and Operator GEORGE WEATHERS whose mothers died...The exact fare box sure has made our job a lot easier, but we still have to watch the fares, and have a little patience with our passengers when they board our bus.

Operator RAY HELM went out on his birthday, January 5, and had a slight auto accident (no one hurt). We suspect Ray had a few too many...Operator CARSON MATHEWS' wife, MAXINE, had a bout with South Chicago hospital, and she won. She is home now doing nicely. The Red Cross sent their son home from the army to be with dad...ALBERT GRADY's daughter, MELVAINA, has just reached a

THIS IS 14-year old ERIC JOHNSON, the son of ALEX C. JOHNSON, assistant superintendent of Forest Glen Station, who was recently advanced to Eagle Scout. Eric, a member of the Order of the Arrow, was also elected "Scout of the Year" by Troop 196, Schaumburg, Illinois.

milestone in life--sweet sixteen--January 15...Operator WILLIE COX is trying for station superintendent. How do we know? He told us so and showed us his shined shoes... Operator LENEAR SCOTT tells us he will have a tax exemption sometime in February. Too bad it couldn't have been in December...Operator CLARENCE COWAN picked a different run and his old passengers found out about it and wait 15 minutes longer now just to ride with him...Operator GUS WRIGHT's son, STANLEY, had a birthday January 22. ..My daughter, BRENDA, was 13 on January 19. While writing this your co-scribe, AMOS FOSTER, is waiting for a bed in Mercy hospital. The old tummy is acting up again. ..Operator VICTOR PACISKI seems to be well known at 103rd and Michigan. He took me in on a very cold night, and as we entered the door, they set out a gallon jug of VO for him and called him "No Pain Vic"...Yesterday I had a swinging load going to the Dan Ryan "L". A well dressed young man sitting on the long seat by the front door kept his eyes closed and his head down. "You sick," I asked him. "No", he replied, "It's just that I hate to see women standing."..Hope to see you soon.

- Tom Daniels & Amos Foster

ELECTRICAL (Blue Island) -

May 1 is the date set for the 24th annual corned beef and cabbage dinner. This year the honored guests will be ART McDERMOTT, DAN McEVOY, WILLIAM TOWNSEND, WALTER YOCCIUS, ARVIN WILMONT, and FLORIAN CZANSTKOWSKI. We expect a large crowd, so get your reservations in early...WILLIAM TOWNSEND, who retired on January 1, enjoyed the company of about 50 of his fellow workers at breakfast on his last day worked. Union President JIM McCANN gave him a nice sendoff with a short speech. Also present at the breakfast were Pensioners MIKE BATTISTO, JOE SKIRIS, ADAM GABLIN, CLYDE PETERSON, and ED BOYLE who came in to welcome Bill to their ranks...Congratulations to JOE PEINTO on his promotion to power supervisor...We welcome G. J. KINTZ, R. M. KING Jr., G. J. WHITESIDE, R. A. RYCHLEE, and W. KURTIN to the Electrical Department...Received cards from Pensioners ARTHUR HANSEL, SYLVESTER DANECKE, and ARVIN WILMONT. Arvin has been ill and is a patient at Halifax District hospital, Clyde Morris Boulevard, Room 3230, Daytona Beach, Florida 32018. He would appreciate some cards or letters...Our sympathy is extended to the family of CHARLES SABELLA who died on January 19, and to the family of Pensioner JOSEPH McGLYNN who passed away on January 13...Our deepest sympathy to ALVIN ARONSON on the loss of his baby daughter; to ZIGGY DOBOSIEWICZ on the loss of his mother; to R. PRIESBE whose mother passed away recently; to H. GEIER on the loss of his father, and V. KRUSE on the loss of his sister...HAROLD COYNE is very proud of his 10th grandchild, EILEEN FRANCES, born on November 5 to PHILIP and SUE COYNE.

- William Rehder

(General Office) -

STEVEN SHERWOOD, co-op student, was married to EVELYN ROBINSON on January 10. The ceremony took place in the United Methodist church, Rocky Hill, Connecticut. Congratulations and best wishes for the future to Steve and his bride...Glad to know that CHARLES KNUTSON, construction foreman, is recovering from his recent illness and will be back to work soon...Sincere condolences to S. E. DOBOSIEWICZ, supervisor of construction and maintenance, on the death of his mother, and to VIRGIL KRUSE on the loss of his sister recently...Now is the time to start thumbing those seed catalogues because if winter's here, can spring be far behind?

THIS RELAXING young lad is KEITH MICHAEL KNAUTZ, the grandson of Public Information Director F. C. KNAUTZ. Keith, born on January 2, is the son of RONNIE and GLORIA KNAUTZ.

- Kay McAlister

ENGINEERING -

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. JAMES JOHNSON on the arrival of an 8 pound 10 ounce baby boy, CHRISTOPHER ALAN, born January 19 at St. Elizabeth hospital. Mother and child are both fine and daddy is as proud as can be... Get well wishes are extended to JOE DUGO who had to spend the holidays in the hospital. Joe is recuperating at home now and we hope to see you back soon...Your scribe, CAROL RADMAN, is still recuperating at home after a knee operation. The doctor says it will be a couple of months before I can return to work. Writing the news brings back memories, and believe it or not, I am a bit lonely for the good old days...Santa Claus was very good to PAUL SWANSON and his family. He gifted them with a new home in Edison Park. Good luck and best wishes in your new abode...At this writing, LOUISE SANDSTROM is vacationing in beautiful Mexico City and Acapulco. I'm sure everyone is green with envy for we have to fight this bitter cold weather. We will have all the dope on that vacation in our next issue.

(West Shops) -

Steamfitter STEVE WICKERT became a proud papa when his wife recently gave birth to a baby girl, LINDA. Now Steve has three women and all in the same house. How did you manage to pull that off, Steve?..Here's an item that should have been mentioned some time ago. DANIEL RENO, laborer, was at Kimball yard and saw a man hit the third rail and his clothing caught fire. Dan quickly extinguished the fire and got him to the hospital. Latest reports are that the man, after staying in the hospital for two months, is doing fairly well. Dan should be commended for his quick thinking and fast acting. The man was burned very badly, but is alive thanks to Dan...WAYNE HANSEN, assistant to J. LeMOND, recently celebrated the birth of a granddaughter. I see someone is going to be very spoiled. I know, for grandpa spoiled us a little by treating everyone to free coffee for a whole day! Congratulations, Wayne, and may you have many more grandchildren...WEST SHOPS

FLASH NO. 1: What man at West Shops has had to resort to a foot warmer under his desk during the recent cold spell?..WEST SHOPS FLASH NO. 2: What certain ironworker foreman is so engrossed in his work that he gets up at 1 a.m., and then again at 6 a.m., and comes to work both times?..WEST SHOPS FLASH No. 3: What certain man's assistant got on his knees and asked a certain gentleman to please work with him? Huh?..Laborer J. O'MAHONEY, better known as the Kansas Kid from County Kirk, recently had a kidney operation. Hurry back, Jim, all the men miss your presence...Track Foreman TOM STAUNTON recently moved into a new home after living in an apartment house. I know there is quite a difference, Tommy. Congratulations.

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

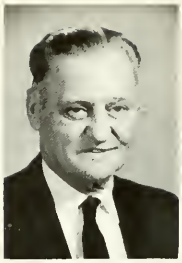
FOREST GLEN -

Our depot has lost a fine and understanding gentleman in Superintendent R. G. BAILEY who retired on January 1 after 43 years of service. He will be remembered for the fine way he treated his men. He was a man you could take your problems to and at all times receive fair treatment. He was a man who would go to bat for you, and if you had the devil coming he could dish it out and then it was forgotten. Always in his office if you wanted or needed help you received it. The best of everything to you, Mr. Bailey, from all the boys who worked for you. Replacing Mr. Bailey as station superintendent is another old timer equally qualified in the field of transportation, Mr. E. K. PETERSON, formerly of Kedzie Depot. Well, their loss is our gain. I have met Mr. Peterson and his door is always open to his men and he is ready and able to assist in anyway he can. Of course, we must give Mr. Peterson time to get organized. His father was a former Chicago Surface Lines man and a great boss, so you see it runs in the family. Anyway, welcome to Forest Glen, Mr. Peterson, we are proud to have you with us and will strive to help you in anyway possible...By now we have all seen the changes here on the Northwest Side--routes are completely different, the new Kennedy "L" is in operation, and the men are able and capable of handling this new venture...Sorry to say that we are losing some of our finest men at Forest Glen--changes in our clerks, and of course, our receivers. Leaving as receivers are: FRANK PASCHE who was always on window number one, a worker who was and still is a credit to our company; FRED MURBARGER a fine gentleman who always had a kind word for all, and EDDIE O'KEE who was the last receiver to arrive here at Forest Glen, a man who was our friend and one who could take a joke. To these fellows, the best of everything and please keep in touch with us. No one could ever replace any of you. Last but not least is an outstanding gentleman by the name of TED HOELLEN. He will be moving from receiver to clerk, and from Ted you will always receive a fair deal. Yours truly is glad, Ted, that you didn't take the chief clerks position at another station. Remember, your day is coming and I hope I will be here at Forest Glen to see it...LOU TIGNAC, the best to you in your new venture. I know those money machines will be correct with you handling them. Your smile and kindness will be missed, along with those beautiful shirts. Don't forget us, Lou, let us hear from you...Only one person would come to work on his anniversary looking like a lost duck. He is none other than JOE MOTYKA. Anyway, Joe, happy birthday, February 7. Did you say 47 years old? On February 23 he and his wife celebrated their 23rd wedding anniversary, and on February 29 (he celebrates on the 28th) Joe will have 24 years of service with the CTA. Yes you are getting old. No wonder you forgot to stay home...EUGENE BRZECZEK was married on January 8 to CECILIA WLOBARCZEK. Of course this was done on the spur of the moment so he wouldn't have to invite his friends. Well, Brzeczek, explain this...To Supervisor WILLIAM and ANNA LANE a happy 25th wedding anniversary. Bill says that after having been together all these years, they decided to get married...Leaving us after 32 years of service is WILFRED JANNUSCH, one of the finest persons I have had the pleasure of meeting. The best to you, old buddy, and stay as young as you are...Supervisor MICKEY LOFTUS has been off a few weeks due to an accident. For an Irishman, he is fine and will return soon. In case you ever run into Mickey, just call him "Sweet Lips"...Just returning from an accident where he was laid up for about six weeks is Supervisor RAY DOWDLER...Condolences to Supervisor ROBERT JASINSKI on the loss of his wife. He would like to extend his heartfelt thanks to everyone who attended the wake. Our hearts go out to you, Robert, from all at Forest Glen... BEN (Harvey) MARTINEZ, former Motor Coach operator, passed away on December 8 in California at the age of 78. Our deepest sympathy to his wife, IRENE, and his two sons, BEN and TOM...JOHN, the son of STAN KUBICZ, broke both bones in his left leg while playing football. He played right guard on his sophomore team...After being off for several months with ticker trouble, former Forest Glen Operator WALTER BLIX deserted us and went back to his old stamping grounds at North Avenue Station to be a switchboard operator. Should you ever have the occasion to call North Avenue, he has promised not to cut you off, providing you talk real nice to him. I wonder what he meant by that?..This month we have a few birthday greetings to pass out. As you can see by the following names, some of the best people were born during the month of March: VIRGINIA BLIX, the wife of former Operator Walter Blix; ROCKY MALFESE; TOM MEAGHER, and last, but not least, yours truly BILL (Don't call me Wilbur) HENRY. I'm sure everyone knows now what we mean by some of the best people.

- W. A. Henry (Don't call me Wilbur)

BESIDE ONE of the streetcars which was painted with patriotic messages during World War II is the late **CHARLES F. HOSANG**, a 69th Street motorman from 1907 to 1945. Mr. Hosang also had two sons who started with the Surface Lines, and the combined service of the three Hosangs is 113 years. The late **CLARENCE HOSANG**, an electrician, worked from 1922 to 1968. **HARRY HOSANG** started in 1941 and is presently at Storeroom 48, 63rd and Calumet.

J. H. WEDEL
42 Years



P. J. GOBELI
43 Years

H. J. KUPCZYK
43 Years

H. E. MILLER
41 Years

T. F. McMAHON
42 Years

NEW PENSIONERS

JOINING THE ranks of the retired during January and February were the 15 employes pictured here who had 40 or more years of service each.

CHESTER J. ABBOTT, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 10-19-36
LOMER P. ARSENEAU, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 11-5-28
REGINALD J. BAILEY, Superintendent,
Forest Glen, Emp. 5-7-26
LAWRENCE M. BARNES, Sr., Operator,
52nd Street, Emp. 1-15-44
MAX BOLTZE, Machinist,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 8-2-27
DELOSS N. CARSON, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 1-11-26
WILLIAM T. CAVANAUGH, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 1-22-34
MICHAEL P. CRONIN, Secretary-Treasurer,
Division 308, Emp. 8-29-29
ADA M. DAILY, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 6-12-45
CATHERINE DALY, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 12-1-38
FRED R. DESCH, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 2-9-37
RAYMOND F. EBEL, Clerk,
Division 241, Emp. 5-12-43
ALFRED A. EKELMANN, Charter Serv. Sales Mgr.,
Public Information, Emp. 6-3-29
ELMER R. FREITAG, Repairer,
North Avenue, Emp. 2-27-36
JOHN GALLAGHER, Janitor,
52nd Street, Emp. 9-9-29
PETER J. GOBELI, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 2-1-26
WILFRED J. GUERTIN, Janitor,
North Avenue, Emp. 12-3-41
ADA L. GUSTAFSON, Switchboard Operator,
Transportation, Emp. 6-5-30
THOMAS J. HENNEBERRY, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 12-10-40
PETER W. HNATIUK, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 9-26-28
WILFRED E. JANNUSCH, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 6-25-37
GEORGE JONASON, Repairer,
North Park, Emp. 12-13-29
JOHN F. JOYCE, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 9-4-40
GEORGE H. KRINKE, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 10-8-29
CHARLES J. KUCERA, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 12-27-33
HENRY J. KUPCZYK, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 3-31-26
MICHAEL A. LABAN, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 7-1-29
SPIRO LAMPROS, Collector,
West Section, Emp. 8-27-40
FRANK P. MACHOWSKI, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 7-15-43
THOMAS F. McMAHON, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 11-1-27
HARVEY E. MILLER, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 10-8-28
GEORGE W. MOKATE, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 10-20-33

PENSIONERS MEET

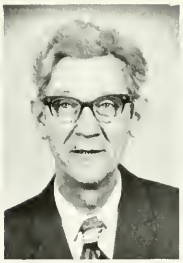
THE DIVISION 308 Pensioners Club of Chicago will hold its next regular meeting at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 16, on the 13th floor at 32 W. Randolph street. All retired members of Division 308 are invited to attend these meetings which are held the third Thursday of each month at the above time and address.

The CTA Pensioners Club of St. Petersburg, Florida, will hold its next regular meeting at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 7, at the Odd Fellows Hall, 4140 16th street, north, St. Petersburg. All CTA pensioners living in that vicinity are invited to attend these meetings which are held the first Tuesday of each month at the above time and address.

L. P. ARSENEAU
41 Years

G. JONASON
41 Years

M. P. CRONIN
40 Years



C. J. VOJTA
40 Years

D. N. CARSON
43 Years

G. H. KRINKE
40 Years

A. SULLIVAN
40 Years

M. A. LABAN
40 Years

J. GALLAGHER
40 Years

M. BOLTZE
42 Years

LOUIS W. MONAHAN, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 1-15-34
WILLIAM J. MURPHY, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 11-2-28
WALTER G. NARTEN, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 10-19-36
CHRISTOPHER J. O'CONNELL, Repairer,
77th Street, Emp. 9-13-30
JAMES O'NEILL, Shopman,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 6-7-46
ANTON PARTYKA, Collector,
North Park, Emp. 10-5-36
ELMER W. PETERSON, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 6-2-43
WALTER H. SCHARP, Traffic Checker,
Schedule-Traffic, Emp. 9-29-37
ALFONSE E. SHARK, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 1-5-44
WILLIAM STOEKE, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 8-19-36
ANTHONY SULLIVAN, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 4-2-29
WILLIAM J. TOWNSEND, Line Helper,
Electrical, Emp. 11-19-45
JOHN J. VAUGHAN, Serviceman,
Beverly, Emp. 10-14-47
CLARENCE J. VOJTA, Conductor,
West Section, Emp. 5-6-29
JOHN H. WEDEL, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 12-6-27
FRED A. WEDER, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 8-19-36
ANNA E. WEINSTOCK, Balance Clerk,
Revenue Accounting, Emp. 7-31-64

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

GEORGE ANDERSON, Motor Blower,
Wilson Avenue, Emp. 10-31-55
FRANK T. CHARD, Collector,
Archer, Emp. 4-3-43
EARTHON G. JOHNSON, Extra Guard,
South Section, Emp. 8-27-56
WALTER A. KRUEGER, Janitor,
North Avenue, Emp. 2-3-43
PAUL A. LANZ, Jr., Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 2-12-41
CLARENCE G. LEMKE, Instructor,
North Avenue, Emp. 1-27-36
RICHARD P. McAULIFFE, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 11-15-27
THOMAS H. O'HARA, Clerk,
South Section, Emp. 8-1-41
JAMES M. REED, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 2-15-54
CHARLES E. SCHMIDT, Telephone Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 3-28-34
FRANK SCHRACK, Repairer,
Keeler, Emp. 4-24-43
HAROLD THEDENS, Conductor,
South Section, Emp. 9-30-47
MARTIN TOBIN, Track Foreman,
Engineering, Emp. 3-4-35
WALTER C. TRINKL, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 7-27-45

GENERAL OFFICE (Public Information) -

We extend our sympathy to AL EKELMANN on the passing of his wife, CATHERINE, on February 3. Al had retired as Charter Service sales manager only a month before and he and Mrs. Ekelmann were honored at a luncheon in the M&M Club on December 29. Attending the luncheon were 75 friends, including co-workers and business associates...JESSE RODRIGUEZ, a former surface instructor, was appointed sales manager effective January 1. Lots of luck in your new job.

Congratulations are in order. Superintendent of Public and Employe Relations F. C. KNAUTZ became the proud grandfather of his first grandson, KEITH MICHAEL KNAUTZ, born to his daughter-in-law and son on January 2...PAT BERGEN left us to await the arrival of the stork. Her co-workers treated her to a luncheon at the M&M Club in the Mart. From what she ate, we are all betting it will be at least twins. She received many beautiful and useful gifts for the little newcomer. Good luck, Pat, you will be missed by your many friends on the 7th floor. SPECIAL NEWS FLASH--Before going to press we received the very good news that little KATHLEEN ANN BERGEN came into this world on February 3 at 10:30 a.m., weighing 6 pounds 6 ounces.

(Law) -

Attorney MARVIN K. LUCKMAN and his wife became the proud parents of a baby girl named LAURA ANNA... PHYLLIS BRZECZEK and her sister, RITA, Employment Department, and a girl friend flew to Hawaii for a two-week vacation. They are now sporting beautiful tans.

(Employe Relations) -

MARY ANNE PRELL became engaged to PAT McMAHON and they are planning a fall wedding...SUE STENZEL, file clerk, is also sporting a diamond which she received on her birthday. Congratulations to the two lucky girls.

(Treasury) -

The welcome mat was extended to FRANK VYZRAL and JOHN KUNZNER, token clerks...Much to her surprise at the annual meeting of the general office credit union, FLORENCE BUTTERFIELD's number was the first to be called and she won a two-speed blender.

(Insurance) -

GERALDYNE CAROLIN became Mrs. KEVIN MURPHY on December 20 at St. Peters United Church of Christ. The happy couple honeymooned at Wagon Wheel Lodge in Rockton, Illinois. Kevin is presently a bus operator at Forest Glen Station...EMMA HUDGINS spent the New Year weekend on a winter retreat at Camp Joy in Whitewater, Wisconsin... TONI GALIC transferred from the Stores Department... ELKE MILANETTO joined our ranks and is working temporarily as a typist in this department...CHUCK ETSCHEID, the son of DOROTHY, spent his Christmas leave at home. Afterwards he left for Viet Nam via Okinawa. Good luck and come home safely...SUE PIERCE is sporting a beautiful diamond ring which she received from DANNY GILLESPIE. The wedding is set for November 7, 1970. Speaking of Sue, she left her shoes on the bus and spent the entire day working in her boots. Better brush up on your memory, Sue...It was good to see CAROL ARNDT back to work after spending some time in the hospital. The place was not the same without you.

(Office Services) -

Sympathy is being extended to the family of LAVERGNE SCHULTZ on the death of her son.

(Training & Accident Prevention) -

Mrs. JANINE SNYDER recently transferred from the Accounting Department to our department. Welcome to the department, Janine...ARTHUR G. HUBACZ, the son of ARTHUR HUBACZ, was graduated from boot camp at Great Lakes on February 6. He is now stationed at the U.S. Navy Electronics school in Great Lakes...KATHY O'BRIEN, formerly of Technical Services, South Shops, and now living in Fort Collins, Colorado, recently realized a lifetime ambition. She is now the proud owner of a six-year old bay gelding quarter horse, Tex. Tex stands 15½ hands high which is quite a bit of horse. On the same day that Tex arrived, her Labrador retriever, Blue, presented her with five puppies. The accusing finger is pointed at the German Shepherd that lives next door. Between pups and horse, Kathy has a full life. Oh yes, her dad, WALT GARBUTT, got nicked for a ton of hay and 500 pounds of grain for the horse...STUART and ARLA MAGINNIS and their children went on a Christmas holiday camping trip to Florida. They reported that camping in Florida over the holidays has become very popular. They met many families from the Middle West who were camping in everything from tents to self-propelled motor homes.

(Reproduction Services) -

A luncheon was held at the M&M Club for DOROTHY WILHELM who left the CTA to take up housekeeping. Sorry to see you go, Dot...JUNE VAN CAMP, former switchboard operator, was welcomed to the department.

(Research & Planning) -

TOM HENNINGSEN and his wife spent two weeks at Treasure Island, Florida. Tom says he could become a beachcomber without really half trying. They had a wonderful vacation and spent some time taking in the sights. They visited JOHN WILLIE, a former North Side motorman

CELEBRATING THEIR 50th wedding anniversary on July 13 were Pensioner and Mrs. MARIO LENA. They were honored at a lawn party with 80 guests and relatives attending. Mario formerly worked as a car repairman at Douglas Terminal Shop.

THIS IS lovely SHIRLEY NEVILLE who become the bride of Operator ANTHONY WINBURN, Keeler, on December 19. The honeymoon was postponed until March when they will travel to Jackson, Mississippi, to celebrate.

on the rapid transit...HERMAN ANDERS and his wife flew to Tucson, Arizona, and then motored 250 miles to Yuma to attend the marriage of their son...We bid adieu to JUDY CLOHESSY who is awaiting a blessed event, and welcome to MARY ELLEN RUSS who transferred from Charter Service.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

KEDZIE -

All the operators and repair department personnel extend their best wishes to Superintendent E. K. PETERSON who transferred to Forest Glen Depot. He will really be missed. The welcome mat is out for Superintendent M. HARRINGTON who replaced Mr. Peterson. I had a talk with Mr. Harrington in which he set some new rules for all of us. He said there will be no parking in front of the station for any reason, and to make sure that all operators take only the buses that are assigned to the street they are working. He would also like to see Kedzie number one in our accident and safety record for 1970. I am sure that we will all strive to attain this goal...Retired Operator MIKE KENNY had his son home for Christmas, Father G. KENNY, and six other priests from all over the country. What a grand time everyone had. Mike says hello to all at Kedzie...The Kedzie Credit Union held their annual meeting on Saturday, January 17, with WILLIAM LARSEN, president, presiding. T. HEFFERNAN, treasurer, gave his report and the goals for 1970. If every member can get another person to join and start a savings account, you will be surprised how fast your savings will grow. It was good to see some of the old timers there...Our son, AUGUST, is now home having received his discharge from the U.S. Army, and we had an open house for him on January 3. He plans to return to college and get his degree. It's sure good having him home, and I wish him well and thank God for his safe return...Congratulations to Operators C. ABBOTT and T. HENNEBERRY who took their pensions on January 1. We wish them many years of health and happiness, and as you take your place as a senior citizen, you will have the time to do all the things you have always wanted to do. Good luck to you both...Mrs. F. LEGG, the wife of Operator R. LEGG, broke the big toe of her left foot. I hope by the time this issue is out your foot will be completely healed. I heard she broke her toe kicking Legg to do some chores around the house...KENNETH JABLECKI, the son of Janitor R. JABLECKI, won first prize in the "Voice of Democracy" at Orr High school sponsored by the VFW...Our deepest sympathy to WARREN SCHOLL, president and business agent for Division 241, and his family on the death of his mother, Mrs. MINNIE SCHOLL, who was laid to rest January 2 at Woodlawn cemetery...Our deepest sympathy to D. WILSON and his family on the death of his mother, Mrs. WILSON, who was laid to rest on January 9. She was 92 years old.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

Hi ya gals and guys. Sorry, fellows, but this is a two-month issue, January and February, so I couldn't warn you to be sure and get that Valentine for the little lady...Well, gang, I need extra help to pull the rope for ringing the birthday bell as the effort is more strenuous for your co-reporter, ERNEST CARTER, has to own up to another year February 1. Oh, well, maybe the bells won't be so hard on the others. A new entry to the birthday derby is JASON JOHNSON, the new son of Operator J. JOHNSON and his wife, GWENDOLYN, who was introduced to the public on January 1. Garageman FRANK TRIGG's daughter, JACQUELINE, whooped it up on January 15. Operator C. H. LEE's lovely wife, MARNA, birthdayed January 20. Operator L. SMITH had a big kiss for his SHIRLEY, January 25, plus presents. Operator HUGO VARGAS has to sing a lulaby for his one-year old daughter, ADRIANA, on January 12. He had to sing a different tune on February 3 for his wife, ELVIA. Operator EZELL LINZY hopes to meet and beat his grandmother's longevity record. His grandmother, FANNIE, celebrated 79 years on January 17 and Linzy extended his streak another year on January 27. Mechanic WALLY GIRA tells us his wife, MABEL, gently added another year to her mileage gauge and still doesn't need a tune-up. His daughter, LYNN, just had her ten-month check-up. When I asked Night Foreman FRED SCHMIDT if he had any birthdays to commemorate, I had to borrow another ballpoint pen--here's why. Fred's birthday was February 17, his wife, ELEANOR, celebrated February 27, his son, DONALD's, was on February 5, and his mother-in-law, Mrs. JOHNSON, rounded out the festivities on February 22. Operator ANDY GRABOWSKI confessed to another milestone on February 11. Mechanic JIM ALEXANDER had the 24 month warranty check on his daughter, DEBBIE, February 26. Operator C. RUTLEDGE recalled his nativity scene on February 24...Operator ANDY SEGAR and his wife, MARY, danced the Anniversary Waltz for the 23rd time on February 15, and Operator W. C. YARRINGTON and the love of his life, FREDERICA, cooed their 5th anniversary, February 2...I'm sure everyone joins me in wishing a safe, quick return home to JOHN BECKER from Viet Nam. So, fellows, please don't put the pressure on pop, Operator H. BECKER...Get well wishes are extended to Garageman STANLEY LAVAND, and hopes for a speedy recovery from surgery to FLORENCE NELSON, the wife of Operator J. NELSON. Now maybe Nelson can stop bringing those greasy brown paper bags to work...Received a post card from Operator PATEREK. You would think that Pat could find something more exciting to do in San Francisco than riding cable cars...A real cosmopolitan family are the JACKSONS. Operator ALLEN's daughter, ARLENE, is hosting one of her college chums who hails from Hong Kong...Maybe I am naive, but it seems a bit indecent to me--but here is how I got the news from Chief Clerk ELMER RIEDEL. Elmer says he took baths with Pensioner

BENNY TAUSCH and Limits Station Receiver GEORGE SINGER. They must have some really big bathtubs in Hot Springs, Arkansas...Ran across a pretty good definition of charm--definitely useful to bus jockeys. "Charm is the ability to make someone else think that both of you are pretty wonderful people.",.Till next time--love to you all.

- Ernest C. Carter & Anthony Berry

LAWNDALE -

Congratulations are in order to MYRTIS and STERLING MARTIN on their marriage December 20. The best of luck from the men at Lawndale...On January 1 CHARLIE KUCERA retired after 30 years of service...Recently a bit of cheer has come to the attention of the Lawndale operators. PEGGY HESTER, the daughter of Clerk JACK HESTER, observed a group of young people harassing a bus driver in numerous ways. Very bluntly, Peggy has let her fellow students know, through a column which she writes for her school newspaper, just how wrong this type of harassment toward bus drivers can be. Now I'd say that we do have outside support...Several weeks ago Operator LOU KAZDA went on vacation, but before leaving he was given a snowplow which he graciously used several times. Some people have all the luck...Recently Mr. CHAMBERLAIN came to Lawndale as assistant station superintendent. We here at Lawndale say welcome, and we're hoping that you're enjoying your new assignment...There are a lot of smiling faces around here due to the new fare boxes. Among several responses that I've heard are; they're wonderful, groovy, and they're the best thing since the invention of the changer... Teamwork is an important part of our job, and this teamwork has been displayed many times over from the mechanics here at Lawndale. Daily they're efficiency and skills are displayed. So keep the heat flowing, fellows, and thanks for a job well done...Well, fellows, let's support our basketball team, and we'll be seeing you next month.

- James Marshall

LIMITS -

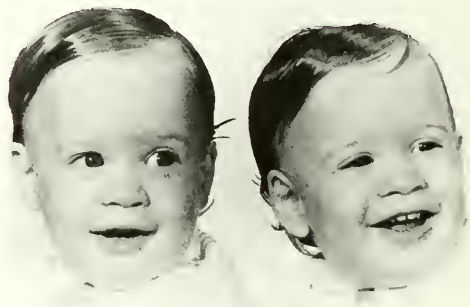
The Limits Credit Union business meeting and party was held at Weiglets Hall, Damen and Byron streets, January 25. A good turnout of members was present and a good time was had by all. A 5% dividend was declared on all shares, so please bring or send in your pass books so that the proper entry may be made...Congratulations and best wishes to EDWARD FEDEROWICZ and his dear wife, JOSEPHINE, who celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary on January 9...Operator OTHO SMITH and his dear wife, CYNTHIA, welcomed a new arrival in their home by the name of GRETTA, who was born on New Years day. May the cute little girl grow up and win the title of "Miss America". Congratulations to the proud parents. . . Former scribe GEORGE CLARK paid us a visit at Limits and wishes to give his best regards to all of the men he was unable to see. He is enjoying his pension to the fullest and is in excellent health...Operator ARTHUR VOSS has been in the hospital for some time after undergoing surgery. He is now well on the road to recovery and should be on the active list soon...ARTHUR MAAS, treasurer of the credit union, was in the hospital for some time due to illness but is now back at his post as head of the credit union...Operator JESSE BORDEAUX's son, WILLIAM, who served in the armed forces, has been honorably discharged and is now working for the CTA where he is most happy. Due to the quick thinking of Bordeaux's wife a tragedy was averted. Jesse failed to open the garage doors while warming up the engine in his car and was overcome by carbon monoxide. The fire department responded in time to administer oxygen and save his life. Let this be a warning to all...DANIEL CLARK, repair department foreman, and his excellent group of mechanics are keeping our buses in tip-top shape. Our thanks to all of these fine men. . . Superintendent GEORGE MAY's wife is in the hospital at this writing due to illness. We all wish you a speedy recovery...Our sincerest sympathy to Operator LEO MILANETTO who flew to Italy to attend the services of his dear father who passed away...The father of CALVIN NASH, the father of EARL ROGERS, and the son of C. LYTHIE also passed away during the past month. Our sincerest sympathy to the bereaved families.

- R. S. Benson

LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

On February 1 a new rapid transit line opened along the Kennedy Expressway. It brought about a lot of changes and a lot of happiness. I thought BARBARA McBROOM was going to cry when I told her she could have Sundays off... MARY BURROWS wishes to say thanks for all the cards and good wishes she received from her friends at CTA during her long illness...It's good to have Superintendent RALPH DEMARIA back with us after his illness...MARY MARBLE had a surprise birthday party on January 16 given by her family and friends. Mary had a wonderful time and it really was a surprise...Good to see TOM RAPP back collecting after his service with Uncle Sam...IDA AARON's brother passed away on January 11. We all wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Ida and her family...It's good to see PAT DINWIDDIE back with us again. Stay well this time will you, Pat?..We wish to welcome all of the people who came to us from the North and South Sides with the system pick. How do you like the North Side, MARY JO OHNESORGE? . . MIKE CRONIN, CATHERINE DALY, JOHN JOYCE, and FRED DESCH have all left us to go on pension. The best of luck to each of you...VYTOE RAMONIS took a trip to Canada to see his girl, RAMONA. That's what be

THESE TWO handsome young gentlemen are **CRAIG** and **BRYAN BERLINQUETTE**, the twin sons of Operator **ARTHUR BERLINQUETTE**, Forest Glen, and his wife, **DOROTHY**, who celebrated their first birthday on July 26.



told me...HERBERT SAFFRAHN's mother passed away on January 27. Our deepest sympathy to Herbert and his family...A big welcome to all the newly hired agents and janitors.

- Katy Moriarty

LOOP -

At this writing Agent T. MARTIN is in the hospital undergoing surgery. We hope that by the time this issue is released, she will be back to work and doing fine...Welcome to Agent E. DILLON who left the Congress line and is now working at Ridgeland and Lake. We hope you like your new surroundings...We all wish Agents JOE OHNESORGE and JEAN VERBICK good luck at their new North Side stations. We miss you both...We will miss Agents J. GIBLIN and MARY WIXTED who have gone to the Jefferson Park terminal. Lots of luck and let us hear from you both now and then...Several of the older gals were wondering what happened to Pensioner HELEN PALLISTER at Christmas time. Now that we have had letters from Helen, all is forgiven. Glad to hear that you are well and happy...Just received word that Retired Agent MARGE NOLAN is in Our Lady of Mercy hospital in Dwyer, Indiana. I do hope that by this time you are home and feeling very well...So Agent DOROTHY FORD is back to work after her week of being so sick. By the way, Dorothy, your friend, Mrs. CORRIGAN, is knitting you some knee-warmers to keep you a little warmer in the booth. No more sick days for you from now till next winter. How about that, Dorothy?..Sorry to hear that MARY WIXTED is on the sick side of life again. Well, let's say that this is it for a long time. Hurry back, Mary...Congratulations to Mrs. E. FILIPEK, the wife of Agent J. FILIPEK, who was nominated "Queen of the Year" by the Tops Club, a weight losing organization. A dinner will be held in the near future in her honor, and John is sure proud of her. He said she looks real great and very streamlined now...Wouldn't you know it, one of the happiest fellows around town is Collector T. RAPP. The other day someone asked him what his plans were for the next five years now that he is out of the army. Well this is it. Hold your hats, girls, and don't be disappointed. Tom said, "I am to young to tie myself down for there are so many things I want to do. I plan to take a trip to Europe, have things I have always wanted, and maybe a little more schooling and a good time." He was asked if there would be wedding bells in the near future, and he replied, "No, not for a long, long time. I love my freedom and that is it."..One of our agents received a lovely letter from Pensioner MARGE WHITE who is now living in Ireland. She says she is very happy and just loves it over there. P.S.--I will have a letter on the way real soon, Margie...Janitor A. TURNER is going around and around thinking about the stork dropping a little girl at his house. Al and his wife have an eight-year old boy, and a little girl would be just grand. But lookout, sometimes you guess wrong, but whatever, little boy or girl, I'm sure it will be loved and will bring a lot of joy into their home...We extend our deepest sympathy to Agent G. YARDLEY on the sudden loss of her dear sister on January 22.

- Mildred Doyle

THIS JOYOUS couple is Pensioner and Mrs. ROBERT F. DIETZ who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary December 28. Bob was an assistant foreman in the motor repair department at West Shops before his retirement April 1, 1955.

NORTH AVENUE -

We were happy to receive Christmas greetings from some of our Pensioners: BILL ECHOLS, ART MOILENAN, ELMER DEEGAN, BARNEY CALLAHAN, ARMIN KOEHN, LEO PLUSKOWSKI, VIGGO WINDFELD, JOHN SENKO, LARS E. PEARSON, ERNEST BOCK, RUDY MAU, HAROLD "Frenchie" LEMIEUX, HENRY PASS, JOHN KULLOWITCH, HUGH GARRY, FRANK COLEMAN, and GUSTAVE MAY. Elmer Deegan sent us his address at his new home, 930 W. Monticito avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85013. He says "hello" to his friends at North. Pensioner AL PARADISE lives near him now. Frank Coleman also says "hello, and a Happy New Year" to all. GUS MAY tells us he is well and happy. He has been away two years but says it seems like only yesterday. He has made new friends in Florida and says that is God's country. "Hello to all at North," from Gus. We had a nice visit with LARS PEARSON, who was in Chicago visiting his family for the holidays and enjoyed his stay. He and his wife, ANNA, ran into some bad weather going back. White river and Bull Shoals lake, both near his home, are fine fishing spots. Lars joins the others in a "hello" to all. We received a Christmas card from GERHARD KLAMP, formerly of North and now with the Oakland Bus company. He sends greetings to all from Oakland, California...Operator WILBERT ELLISON and his wife, LE BRASIA, celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary on December 19. Instructor EDWARD JURCZAK and his wife, ANNE, celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary on January 23. Our congratulations to both couples...Birthday greetings to Superintendent FRANK BUETOW who celebrates on February 29, and to Superintendent GEORGE MAY, Limits, February 28. We don't know Frank's age because he has a birthday only every fourth year. I hope they can get together and celebrate their birthdays as they used to, at North...Operator JOE KRZAK returned to driving after a $1\frac{1}{2}$-year absence. Joe and his wife, HELEN, spent a wonderful vacation in Florida. Their son, JOSEPH Jr., has returned to Fort Bragg after spending the holidays at home...Instructor CHARLIE WEYER was awarded the third degree in the Father McDonald Council of the Knights of Columbus...Supervising Instructor CLARENCE LEMKE, who has been off sick for some months, is on disability pension. He would appreciate hearing from his friends. We all miss his smiling face and wish him a speedy recovery. Also on the sick list are Operators VINCENT KONSTANTYNOWICZ, AMBROSE PANICO, DORCY MUMBOWER, EUGENE KEYS, KENNETH METTLER, and DANNY

GORSKI. We hope all will be well and back with us soon... Operator WILLIAM NEHLS and his wife, ETHEL, visited Pensioners RALPH O'BRIEN and PAUL DAVIS at Clearwater, Florida. Paul says he misses working on the buses. ..Operator JAMES CALLOWAY lost his brother, GODFREY. Collector TROKEN lost his father, ALEXANDER, and Pensioner ROY SCHARFENORTH passed away January 8...Good luck to Operator JAMES SHELDON who recently transferred to the Utility Department. Lots of luck, James, we'll miss you...Janitor W. GUERTIN took his pension on January 1. Switchboard Operator CHARLES SMITH went on disability pension January 1. Operator GEORGE MOKATE took his pension on February 1. Operator FRANK MACHOWSKI went on pension January 1. Frank's new address will be 2407 W. Laurel Lane, Phoenix, Arizona. He'd like to have any of his friends passing that way stop and say hello. Repairman ELMER FREITAG joined the ranks of the pensioners on January 1 after 34 years of service at North Avenue. Elmer and his wife, FRANCES, are going on a belated second honeymoon to Hawaii. Our best wishes to all, and be sure and keep in touch...We wish all of you a jolly St. Patrick's Day. We also wish you a blessed Easter. Remember to pray for our boys fighting a war on the other side of the world and ask the Lord to bring them home soon...That new voice at our switchboard is that of WALTER BLIX, former Forest Glen operator. It's been a long time since he was here at North, but there are still some who remember having him as conductor on the old red streetcars.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

North Park's annual credit union meeting was held on January 9 at River Park field house where a fine report was delivered by the treasurer, JOHN O'BRIEN. The officers declared a dividend of 4 per cent on savings, and all members are urged to bring in their books so that they may be brought up to date. Elected to the board of directors were DALE PETERS and JOHN O'BRIEN, while BEN NEUMAN was elected to the credit committee. Refreshments were served and the following won door prizes: SEYMOUR STEINBERG, JOHN KACZAR, CHARLES DUNNE, Mrs. UHELMAN, GENE DRZEWICKI, PAUL COOK, JOE CITRO, WILLARD FRIEB, HAROLD JULITZ, PAT SCIORTINO, PETER DOLAN, ELMER KNUDSON, Mrs. KNUDSON, JOE VAN DEN EEDEN, Mrs. CLARA VAN DEN EEDEN, TEX ABERNATHY, Mrs. ASTRID ABERNATHY, CHARLES WISNIEWSKI, Mrs. WISNIEWSKI, WALTER STEINBEISS, Mrs. STEINBEISS, JOE COUGHLIN, MARTIN BAKKA, MATT HEAVEY, BEN NEUMAN, Mrs. SUE PETERS, BOB KESSLER, ED STENZEL, HENRY SCHRAMM, and MIKE KRAUSE...Superintendents ROBERT KEAG, JACK MORRIS, and VICTOR JOHNSON take this opportunity to thank the operators at North Park for making '69 the best year we have had in accident reduction. A total of 156 operators made no reports of any type for the year...Our congratulations are extended to WARD CHAMBERLAIN who was appointed assistant superintendent at Lawndale Depot, while VICTOR JOHNSON was appointed relief superintendent at North Park and Forest Glen...Operator JOHN O'NAN had the misfortune to contact a virus infection while vacationing at Kentucky Lake, Kentucky; so the fish were spared an embarassing time while John recovered...Operator HENRY SCHRAMM and his wife, ELIZABETH, along with his son, MIKE, and daughter, BARBARA, attended the wedding of Miss SUSIE WOLF to Mr. MICHAEL McGUIRE in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Also on the agenda was a visit to New York City to see the sights of the big town...Pensioner JOE VAN DEN EEDEN and his wife visited the State of Florida on their vacation. Visits with Pensioner FRANK GELDMEYER of Largo, and CLIFF HERMANSON of St. Petersburg were among the highlights of their trip...Superintendent WARD CHAMBERLAIN and his wife, MARGE, flew to Los Angeles, California, where Marge's sister, Mrs. LORRAINE McCABE, resides. Visits to Hot Springs, Disneyland, golf at Marshall Canyon, and three days at Las Vegas, with a visit with Mr. and Mrs. RUDY FRIEB, parents of Operator WILLARD FRIEB, were most enjoyed...Operator RAFAEL RODRIGUEZ and his wife, BERTHA, vacationed at Guadalajara, Mexico. Highlights of the trip were visits to Lake Chapala, Puerto Vallarta, and a couple of viewings of the bull fights at Vallarta. Rafael drove his new Plymouth and enjoyed every minute of the trip...Pensioner JOHN CLARK vacationed at Spokane, Washington, where he visited his niece, Mrs. HELEN CARROLLS. Also on the agenda was a stop at Klamath Falls, Oregon, to visit his cousin, KENNETH HILL. John reports the moose steaks and salmon steaks were plentiful...TOM CARR, the son of Operator LEROY CARR, had the pleasure of escorting Miss CHRISTINE CASEY to the debutante ball of the Holy Family hospital cotillion held at the Arlington Towers on December 27...HENRY THELIN is now working as a ticket agent and reports that he is very happy in his new position. ..Operator LESTER BATES reports that after his first year as president of the Southern Illinois Reunion Council has been a grand success. Scholarships were awarded to young people needing help, and now a 60-day drive is on to help the needy in the extreme southern part of the state... LAWRENCE COSTLEY Jr., the son of Supervisor LARRY COSTLEY, was home for the Christmas holidays on leave from Fort Knox, Kentucky. Lawrence will attend signal school at Fort Gordon, Georgia, upon completion of his leave...Operator CHARLEY KEMP and his son, GARY, went on their annual pheasant hunting excursion in DeKalb County and returned with four beauties...Operator TEX RHIMES underwent major surgery at Hines Veterans hospital and at this writing is convalescing satisfactorily...Operator NICK ZAHN is now working in the Mart, and it is rumored he is in the Charter Department. Remember your friends, Nick, with a few charters...JACK RUSS is also working in a different position now, being employed at Skokie Shops as a sanitary engineer...Lieutenant Junior Grade TOM McGINLAY, formerly of North Park Depot, was a recent visitor at the garage and is now serving aboard the submarine USS Tusk. Tom looks great and is very happy

THIS PRETTY young lady is CHRISTINE PRESTI, the daughter of Carpenter FRANK PRESTI, West Shops, who recently announced her engagement to SAMUEL De PASQUALE, now in the naval air corps. Chris and Sam are planning a July wedding.

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

HAROLD G. BANNISTER, 85, Burnside,
Emp. 5-29-17, Died 12-17-69
JOHN E. BARRETT, 70, Construction & Main.,
Emp. 8-15-18, Died 12-2-69
JOSEPH BIRMINGHAM, 70, 69th Street,
Emp. 6-16-43, Died 12-25-69
GEORGE R. BOHAKEL, 68, West Section,
Emp. 4-14-43, Died 12-6-69
ARTHUR A. BRESIN, 75, Accounting,
Emp. 7-8-12, Died 12-4-69
WILLIAM G. BROWN, 77, Devon,
Emp. 2-5-21, Died 12-23-69
NICK CINQUEPALMI, 66, Building,
Emp. 1-21-25, Died 12-29-69
PATRICK J. CORBETT, 86, South Section,
Emp. 11-12-42, Died 12-8-69
DANIEL B. DeWAINE, 73, Kedzie,
Emp. 9-11-21, Died 12-12-69
PATRICK J. DIGNAN, 81, 77th Street,
Emp. 6-13-18, Died 1-4-70
GEORGE E. EWALD, 65, North Park,
Emp. 1-25-27, Died 12-7-69
JOSEPH FERRARA, 78, Wilson Shops,
Emp. 3-5-24, Died 1-4-70
JOHN J. GALLAGHER, 72, West Section,
Emp. 8-17-26, Died 1-7-70
JOHN GODVIN, 84, 77th Street,
Emp. 8-4-20, Died 11-27-69
WILLIAM F. GRUND, 75, Kedzie,
Emp. 2-22-13, Died 12-30-69
EWART G. HILL, 74, Kedzie,
Emp. 5-13-20, Died 1-5-70
BENJAMIN M. HOLLOWAY, 81, 77th Street,
Emp. 1-25-11, Died 12-29-69
EDWARD HUDZINSKI, 56, West Section,
Emp. 10-17-42, Died 1-29-70
JOSEPH A. JANKAUSKIS, 77, Archer,
Emp. 2-18-24, Died 12-17-69
CHARLES F. JENSEN, 85, 69th Street,
Emp. 12-16-06, Died 12-21-69
JOHN F. KOKOSKA, 82, North Avenue,
Emp. 6-19-44, Died 1-10-70
JACK LUKEY, 54, 69th Street,
Emp. 1-8-69, Died 1-20-70
JOHN I. LYONS, 73, 69th Street,
Emp. 12-15-14, Died 1-10-70
JAMES MADAR, 66, North Avenue,
Emp. 1-14-36, Died 1-2-70
TIMOTHY MAHONEY, 76, Devon,
Emp. 6-30-26, Died 12-18-69
HAROLD W. MARHOEFER, 62, Beverly,
Emp. 4-6-42, Died 12-4-69
MATTHEW MARICH, 64, Engineering,
Emp. 8-1-29, Died 1-23-70
BENJAMIN H. MARTINEZ, 81, Keeler,
Emp. 1-15-19, Died 12-8-69
JAMES J. McMAHON, 73, 77th Street,
Emp. 3-26-26, Died 12-17-69
JOSEPH MIKETTA, 78, Rosemont,
Emp. 6-11-26, Died 1-4-70
PATRICK J. O'CONNOR, 85, 77th Street,
Emp. 11-13-18, Died 12-7-69
THOMAS PARAVOLA, 64, North Park,
Emp. 1-9-43, Died 1-26-70
JOHN A. REGAN, 72, North Avenue,
Emp. 6-15-43, Died 12-18-69
JOSEPH SABELLA, 59, Electrical,
Emp. 7-18-36, Died 1-19-70
JOSEPH SCIABICA, 72, Terminal Shops,
Emp. 11-20-39, Died 12-17-69
RUDOLPH SWANSON, 64, Engineering,
Emp. 12-8-42, Died 1-4-70
GEORGE C. SWATOS, 71, West Section,
Emp. 9-22-37, Died 1-3-70
GEORGE B. THORNTON, 77, West Section,
Emp. 9-7-29, Died 1-3-70
ALEXANDER J. TROKEN, 88, Armitage Avenue,
Emp. 3-19-10, Died 12-26-69
CHESTER WASINSKI, 54, Stores,
Emp. 2-25-60, Died 12-11-69
FERDINAND WENZEL, 76, South Section,
Emp. 10-4-17, Died 12-11-69
JAMES A. WILLIAMS, 59, Forest Park Shop,
Emp. 8-13-52, Died 1-27-70
WILLIE WILSON, 66, North Park,
Emp. 8-12-29, Died 12-23-69
SIGMUND WINKOWSKI, 57, Security,
Emp. 11-2-44, Died 12-24-69

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with navy life...Mrs. FRANCES SCHMIT, the wife of Operator CONSTANT SCHMIT, was hospitalized at St. Theresa hospital in Waukegan, Illinois, for observation and we wish Frances the best...Pensioner ELMER PETERSON was a patient at St. Joseph's hospital where he underwent surgery for a hernia...KEVIN WEITH, the grandson of Street Collector GORDON McGRATH, was honored, with a visit by Santa Claus at Christmas while he was home with the mumps. The Elk Grove school board arranged the party... Pensioner JOHN KARASEK and his wife, LILLIAN, celebrated their 40th anniversary in Palo Alto, California, with their son, Dr. MARVIN KARASEK. Visits to the go-go shows in San Francisco and Disneyland were also included. ..MAURINE GREENWALD, the daughter of Operator IRVING WEINER, is teaching at Brown university, where she holds an assistant professorship and is working on her Ph.D. Maurine's husband, MICKEY, is also studying at Brown for his Ph.D. Irving's son, SHELDON, has purchased a second drugstore, this one is located at Austin and Division streets. Operators located in this locality will find quality and service a must at Sheldon's store...We salute Laborer TOM NEWELL for the fine job he is doing in keeping the Howard-Hermitage terminal in spic and span shape...The smiling face of Clerk SAM GIRARD is sorely missed around North Park now that he has transferred to Limits Station...Congratulations to Operators LEONARD WACHOWSKI and ROBERT BENSON on their recent write-ups, along with photographs, which appeared recently in Chicago newspapers...Operator ELMER PETERSON retired on January 1 after 27 years of service. Elmer and his wife, HELEN, plan to move to California in the near future...Operator GEORGE KRINKE retired on January 1 after 41 years of service. George and his wife, PEARL, plan on making their home in Arizona in the near future... Operators RICHARD McAULIFFE and FRANK LITTAU retired on February 1 and both have plans of relaxing a bit

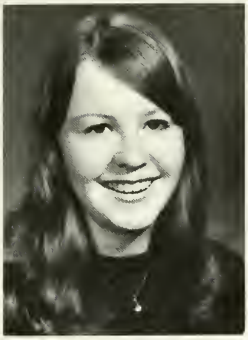
and doing some traveling...Operator KESSLER POLK and his wife, CHARLOTTE, became parents on October 15 when twin girls were born...Operator BRENDEN GREGG and his wife, LOL, became parents for the third time when a daughter named EILEEN MARY was born on November 14 at Swedish Convenant hospital...Operator HAROLD BASON and his wife, NORA, became grandparents for the sixth time when their daughter, JANICE, and her husband, WESLEY ANDERSON, became parents of a daughter, LISA, born November 19 at Swedish Covenant hospital...Operator ROY LEMKE and his wife, MARION, became grandparents for the fourth time when Marion's son, JACK FRY, and his wife, JEANNE, became parents of a son, BRIAN CHRISTOPHER, born December 11 at Lutheran General hospital in Park Ridge, weighing 7 pounds 8 ounces...Operator ALBERT SIEGEL and his wife, ESTHER, became grandparents for the second time when their daughter and son-in-law, SUZETTE and TONY PERTILE, became parents of a son, MARK STEVEN, born December 14 at West Suburban hospital in Oak Park weighing 7 pounds 6 ounces...Ticket Agent FRED FRIEB and his wife, BETTY, became grandparents for the second time when their son, ROY, and daughter-in-law, SANDRA, became parents of a son, MARC EDWARD, born December 18 at Northwest hospital weighing 6 pounds 4½ ounces...Instructor EDWARD SCHWAMB and his wife, DONNA, became parents for the fourth time when a son, CHRISTOPHER EDWARD, was born December 23 at Resurrection hospital weighing 8 pounds 11 ounces...Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Operator SAM POSNER and his wife, ETHEL, their 31st, January 1; Operator BOB WALTERS and his wife, DORCAS, their 33rd, January 1; Operator JOHN EISELT and his wife, LOUISE, January 9; Supervisor LARRY BENNETT and his wife, JULIA, their 29th, January 11; Operator ROY RIPKA and his wife, IRIS, their 6th, January 11; Operator ELI PESTINE and his wife, RUTH, their 35th, January 14; Pensioner WALTER LINDEMANN and his wife, ELEANOR, their 42nd, January 19; Operator DAVE ARREGUIN and his wife, THERESA, their 13th, January 26; Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN and his wife, ERMA, their 42nd, January 26; Utility Chauffeur JOHN MILLER and his wife, ROZIA, their 36th, January 26; Operator JOE SCALETTA and his wife, DOREEN, their 11th, February 1; Operator HENRY NEUMAN and his wife, LEONA, their 38th, February 4; Operator MEL HORNING and his wife, VIOLET, their 32nd, February 5; Operator ARTHUR OLSON and his wife, LENORE, their 30th, February 14; Operator ED ZIENTARA and his wife, ROSE, their 34th, February 26, and Operator ROGER AYOTTE and his wife, HELEN, their 11th, February 28... Happy birthdays are extended to the following: Mrs. IDA WEINER, December 25; Mrs. EULALIE DOWEY, January 10; Mrs. MARY HOLZMAN, January 19; Operator GEORGE TORSON, January 16; LAURA KURCZEWSKI, January 27; PATRICIA WALTON, January 28; IRIS RIPKA, February 5; Operator SEYMOUR STEINBERG; ED NEWTON; CHARLES KEMP; GARY NOONAN; JOSEPH GUZARDO; NICK GASPER; WALTER LINDEMANN; GARY KEMP; FRANCES NEWTON; SHIRLEY PAOLI; JULIA ZAHN; LINDA DIEDIER; MIKE SCHRAMM, and MIN SEIFERT...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to the families of Pensioner NICK MUELLER; Operator CONSTANT SCHMIT on the loss of his brother, Mr. ARTHUR SCHMIT; Operator MORT and Mrs. LOIS LIBERT on the loss of her mother, Mrs. LENA KOPPEL; Operator CHARLES ROBERSON on the loss of his wife, Mrs. RUTH ROBERSON, and to Division 241 President WARREN SCHOLL on the loss of his mother, Mrs. MINNIE SCHOLL...Operator DICK GUSTAFSON and his wife, MERCEDES, spent their vacation at West Palm Beach, Florida, where Dick's mother, Mrs. SIGRUD NORLUND, resides. Dick and Mercedes enjoyed themselves playing golf, fishing, and visiting the dog tracks...The salt workers would like to take this opportunity to thank Foreman CHARLES DUNNE and his crew for the splendid job they have been doing to keep the equipment rolling when the snow is falling...Repairman GEORGE JONASON retired on February 1 after 40 years of service. The garage had a party for George and presented him with a savings bond... Repairman FRANK CAHILL was hospitalized at St. Mary's hospital for a hernia operation and is recovering satisfactorily...Repairmen IRA BASHAM and MIKE SCHULTZ, and Serviceman MIKE O'MALLEY were hospitalized, and at this writing they are hoping to return to work soon...Doctor EDWIN KARCH, the son-in-law of Assistant Foreman ANDY KARIOLICH, is serving at Da Nang, Viet Nam, as a dentist with the U.S. Army.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

ELIZABETH DONAHUE wishes to thank everyone who gave towards her retirement gift, and a special thanks to JACK and RICKY FOSTER for the wonderful party they gave for her. She says she will never forget all her friends and co-workers...Correction please! JOHN McCONVILLE is a motorman instead of a conductor as was stated in the December issue. John is also a master barber as he went to the hospital to cut DICK STANTON's hair and several others. Dick was there at the time for surgery, but has now returned to work--on the coldest day of the year...Congratulations to Motorman DON GIN, Kimball, who now has his family here from China. He had been trying for four years to get them here...EARL STEVEN's son, JAMES, and his wife had a baby boy on November 24 at Canoga, California. They now have a boy and a girl...MINNA KING became a grandma again when her son and his wife had a baby girl on December 17 weighing 8 pounds 6 ounces. She was named KATHY JO. They all gathered at Minna's for Christmas...MARVIN HARRIS, the son of JOE HARRIS, made the Dean's list at the University of Illinois Circle Campus with an average of 4.399. His father got him a new 1970 Dodge to replace the one he smashed up...Sgt. ROBERT CLESEN came home on December 17 for a two-week leave from Ft. Ord, California, to be with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. NICK CLESEN, for Christmas...Congratulations to all the people who had birthdays in January: ED

DUANE KUCHENNY, Forest Glen bus servicemon and the son of Forest Glen Operator RICHARD KUCHENNY, is shown here with his fiancee, MARIANNE OGNIBENE, after announcing their engagement on August 18. The wedding is scheduled for June 6, 1970.



VERY LOVELY is JOAN SIMPSON, the daughter of Machinist MALCOM SIMPSON, West Shops, who will graduate from Sienna High school and has plans to attend University of Illinois Circle Campus.

PLATH, January 1; S. GRACE, January 8; H. BARNES, January 17, and to A. LUCKY who almost made it, December 31. GERDA MATHEWS celebrated her company anniversary date on January 5...Congratulations to Motorman JOE NAPLES and his wife on the birth of a baby girl, SHARON MARIE, January 21, weighing 6 pounds. This now makes two girls and one boy...Mrs. W. SANDERS, the mother of HARRY HORN, came in from Cleveland, Ohio, to spend the Christmas holidays, and DOREEN's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. SAPP, arrived on December 29 from Bennett, Colorado, for three weeks...FRANK DE LA PAZ, North Section student agent, will graduate from the University of Illinois in March and plans to work as a juvenile parole officer. Congratulations and good luck, Frank... MICHAEL CRONIN, former secretary-treasurer of Division 308, retired on January 1 after 40 years of service. A party given for him at John Weigelt's restaurant, 3910 N. Damen, was attended by 171 persons. He received letters and telegrams of congratulations from Governor Ogilvie, Mayor Daley, General Manager T. B. O'CONNOR, Assistant Comptroller JOHN FINCH, his daughter, MARY, and Amalgamated Transit Union officers JOHN ELLIOTT, president, EDWARD OLIVER, vice-president, and JAMES HILL, secretary-treasurer. His nephew, Reverend A. DOWEY, OFM, said grace. A wonderful time was had by all and Mr. Cronin wishes to express his sincere thanks to all of his good friends who honored him at his retirement party. A telegram was also received from Mr. and Mrs. MARTIN BURNS...Superintendent JOHN ZUPKO is leaving the North Section with mixed emotions. He said he was sad to leave the many fine employes and friends who have always given their full cooperation, but is happy to have the opportunity to work in the West Section. ROBERT SUTA will replace Mr. Zupko...W. MURPHY took his pension on February 1 and we all wish him a healthy and happy retirement.

- Grace Mounts

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

ADA L. GUSTAFSON, telephone operator, retired from CTA with 39½ years of service. On January 1 her daily routine and schedule changed. She now stays up late watching a movie and sleeps a little later in the morning. During the summer she will do some fishing and go to the Cubs games. On December 30 an open house was held in her honor, attended by many of her friends who joined us in wishing her a wonderful retirement...If you think you hear two new voices on the switchboard instead of one, you're right. We now have two new operators, ROSEMARIE HEMZACEK, who transferred from Employe Relations replacing Ada, and VIRGINIA R. HAMILTON, a ticket agent, replacing JUNE VAN CAMP who transferred to Reproduction Services. We extend our best wishes to all for good luck and happiness in their new jobs...Where is the best place to spend a winter vacation? Why Florida, of course! BOB and JUNE QUETSCHKE flew to Miami for two weeks of fun in the sun. They stayed with JACK and WANDA KRAUSE in North Miami. The first week was one of relaxation. Then they drove to Tampa for a weekend where they went through the beautiful Busch Gardens, saw the bird show, ate in many nice restaurants, and visited with CHARLIE KERR and FRANK ADAMS. They also enjoyed the company of friends like HERMAN ERICKSON and FRANK KRAUSE. The weather was nice and the time too short, but they had a wonderful time. Not to be outdone, WALLY OQUIST and his wife, BETTY, and a couple from Wisconsin, had three weeks in which to enjoy themselves. They drove to Florida and traveled along the gulf coast from Pensacola to the Everglades, down to Key West and up the East Coast. Pompano Beach was where they chose to stay for 12 days of relaxing in the sun, swimming, and playing golf. Wally said he even put a sign out in the ocean, but we wonder about that. He came back well rested and is looking forward to going there again...Congratulations to BILL DOEDEN who became a grandfather for the second time. CHRISTINE MARIE was born on January 21 at Christ Community hospital weighing 6 pounds 1 ounce. The proud parents are FRANCES and BILL Jr...Our sympathy is extended to WALTER PAVONI and his family on the death of his mother, LOUISE RASTEGHENE, who passed away on December 20...THOMAS STIGLIC didn't go on any trip for his vacation. Instead, he spent most of his time with his grandchildren. He also managed to get out and do some ice skating and skiing. Congratulations to Mr. Stiglic and his wife, HELEN, who celebrated a wedding anniversary in January...AUDREY PETERSON and her husband, HOWARD, found a good way to beat the cold. They went to Sun City, Arizona, where they stayed with some friends. Incidently, this was their first flight on a jet plane and they were somewhat nervous, but after only one trip they think flying is great. The time went by very fast visiting with friends, going to interesting places, dining in very nice restaurants, and shopping in Scottsdale--which Audrey loved. One day a large group got together and had fun picking their own grapefruit at a cost of 1 cent each. You sure can't beat those prices. They had beautiful weather during the entire week, had a wonderful time, and enjoyed being where it was nice and warm on Christmas day...We would like to express our sympathy to EDWARD NOVAK, District "B", and his wife, MARGARET, on the loss of Mrs. Novak's mother, AGNES ROCKETT, who passed away December 27.

(Traffic Planning) -

Another lover of Florida is BILL WINTERS who, with his wife, MARION, drove there for two weeks of relaxation. During this time they soaked up all the sun they could, and if you saw Bill when he got back you know this is true. They also enjoyed themselves eating in a different restaurant everyday while in Miami Beach. On the way back they made a short stop in St. Petersburg. They had beautiful weather during their trip and a wonderful time.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

We would like to welcome the newest members of our department. They are STANLEY LUPINA, who transferred

from Archer, JAMES SHELDON, from North Avenue, ROBERT POELLNITZ, 77th Street, CHARLES HOLLINGSWORTH, 52nd Street, and BEN LONGINOTTI, Lawndale... Our condolences are extended to the families of FRANCIS VAN GEENEN whose father-in-law passed away, and GEORGE HOWARD whose mother recently passed away... JOHN, the son of JAMES J. ROCHE, is now playing as a guard on the St. Patrick High school basketball team. He spent part of the Christmas holidays in Carbondale playing in a tournament, winning one and losing one game...A speedy recovery is what we wish for F. VAN GEENEN and R. MENDYK who are presently off sick. We hope it won't be long before you are well and back at work...PAT PORCELIUS and his wife chose the State of Hawaii as the place to spend their holidays. While we were freezing here in Chicago they were relaxing on the beach getting a nice tan and having a good time. WALTER SWAIN also went to Hawaii for his vacation. He enjoyed himself so much he can't find enough nice things to say about this state. He had a wonderful time and said he would love to stay there.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

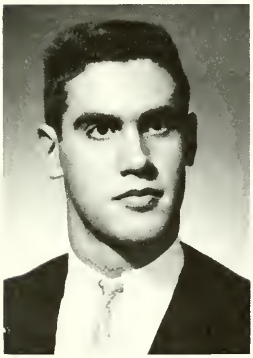
CAROL and NANCY, the daughters of FRANK CIHAK, came down with a case of the chicken pox. First it was one, then it was both of them. We hope that they are feeling much better and are full of pep and energy again. His wife, NANCY, was working as a school teacher until recently when she quit to become a full time mother and housewife. The other teachers had a party for her and Frank also threw a retirement party at the Lake View Men's club, which was attended by a number of friends. Everyone enjoyed themselves and expressed the desire to go on an early retirement too.

- Colette Szczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Four more pretty faces can be seen in our office these days. Our three new typists are MARY FRANCES LABUS, MARY RACZON, and MARY LARKIN in the Stores Department. And then there's DIANE GRAZIANO the new steno in the Specifications Department. How about this for a coincidence, with the addition of the three new Mary's, we now have six girls in the office whose first names are MARY. Greetings and welcome aboard...LEE DeSUTTER has returned after some weeks off with an eye injury...DARLENE JANSEN (nee VERHEECK) is home recuperating as of this writing...I missed a "biggie" in the last news letter. Mr. and Mrs. EDWARD CUMMINGS celebrated 35 years of happy married life on November 29. Ed, I know you weren't serious when you told me, "that's too long with one woman." You've had that contented look on your face too long to fool us. From all of us, congratulations, and may there be many more in store for the both of you...From the Specifications Department comes word that ROD DAUGHERTY took a week's vacation to babysit with his children while his wife recuperated from an operation in South Carolina. She didn't have an operation in South Carolina, but went there to recuperate--well anyway--Rod's wife is fine, the children are fine after their ordeal with their father, and Rod is back to work. So I guess everyone is fine at the Daugherty's. That's nice to hear...BOB PIEPER became a grandfather for the second time when his daughter gave birth to baby boy, DAVID, who weighed in at 8 pounds 10 ounces...Let's all stand up and cheer for SP/4 ROGER A. FLANAGAN, the son of MARTY FLANAGAN, Purchasing Department. Marty has a lot to be proud of and thankful for. Roger just recently returned home, for good, after spending the last year in Viet Nam as a "tanker" with the Big Red One. Before departing for home, Roger was decorated with the Bronze Star, a very distinguished award, by the U.S. Army. So to you, Roger, we all say "Thanks", and congratulations on a job well done...By press time, Mrs. REBECCA (Becky) COUSIN will have spent a short time in the hospital and should be well on the road to a quick recovery. Before you know it, her smiling face will be back in the office...And last but not least, may I say--so long--it's been nice to know and work with you all. This is my last news letter as a member of the CTA. I am leaving the company as of January 23 to join another firm. Goodbye, and the best to all of you.

- Rod Rusakiewicz



THIS PROUD young man is THOMAS VALENZIA Jr., the son of Forest Glen Operator THOMAS VALENZIA, who was graduated from University of Illinois, Urbana, where he was an honor student. Tom Jr. is now serving as a 2nd Lieutenant in the air force.

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

Mr. and Mrs. ALSTON celebrated 30 years of wedded bliss on December 12, and Mr. and Mrs. W. STOLTENBERG celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary on January 19. Congratulations to the happy couples and may they have many more happy years together...C. KEELER and W. STOLTENBERG vacationed at home by helping with the cleaning and decorating. E. WROBEL spent some of his vacation in Round Lake with his daughter and in Wauconda with his sister...W. THOMAS and his wife railroaded to Denver to spend Christmas with his daughter and son-in-law...We extend best health wishes to JOE BILLIS who is in the hospital...Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD GOLDSTEIN spent a week vacationing (32nd honeymoon) in Las Vegas where they tried hard to beat the tables unsuccessfully, but had a great time doing it.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

Welcome to MARY I. HENDRICKSON, the wife of E. R. HENDRICKSON, superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals, who recently joined the office staff of Skokie Shops. Mary, known then as MARY CROSBY, worked as a switchboard operator at the West Shops. Glad to have you back again, Mary...The sick list continues to grow at Skokie with the weather as it is. A get well soon to EUGENE JANKOWSKI, upholsterer, who has been home ill for quite a

spell. Also on the sick list is WALTER WIDINSKI, machinist; ROBERT BINNIE, electrical worker, and WALTER GANDOR, painter. Get well, boys...HAROLD TAIT, electrical worker, is sporting a new 1969 Plymouth Fury III. PAT HARNETT, electrical worker at Skokie Shops, owns a farm in Spring Grove, Illinois, and spends his weekends at the farm. To Pat's many friends, he is known as "Farmer Pat." Pat likes to hunt, and in the deer season, he hunted for four days with no luck. The next day he found deer tracks in the cornfield, and was lucky enough to bag a 100 pound deer using a twelve gauge pump shot gun with slug shot. Pat was a very happy man. Let's get in the news, boys.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

Happy New Year to all! This is a little late news, but we've been so busy at work these last months with the opening of the Dan Ryan line, and then our first system pick, that I neglected in my last column to give my thanks to Management for our annual Transit News Reporters dinner at the M&M Club in the Mart recently, and to tell all of you how proud I was for being honored at the dinner for having the second longest copy in a year. I sat up at the speaker's table and Mr. DeMENT honored me. Oh, I was so thrilled and proud...Our first train service system pick went into effect December 14 and we want to welcome all our newly transferred men to the South Section and wish good luck to our men who transferred to other sections. Space does not permit me to name everyone. Also, good luck to all the agents and janitors who transferred to other sections on January 11 with their system pick and "hello" to our new people...Conductor HAROLD THEDENS and Clerk THOMAS O'HARA, who have been on the sick list for several months, went on disability pension January 1. Our best wishes to both for a speedy recovery so that they can enjoy good health real soon...Relief Station Superintendent BOB DESVIGNES and his family took a nice vacation down in New Orleans visiting with Bob's relatives during the holidays...We are so happy to welcome back some of our men who have been on the sick list for quite awhile: Motormen ALEX KOMIS, VINCENT CIOLINO, JOHNNIE ROBINSON, Switchman SIDNEY GOODMAN, Janitor PERRY LIDDELL, and Agent ALVIN STARKS...The Pensioned Agent's Club held their Christmas dinner on December 7 at the Beverly Woods restaurant, and Retired Motorman JERRY HANAFIN was honored that night along with his family. I talked to many of the pensioners and they all looked so youthful: Retired Agents CATHERINE COLLINS, KAREN FRIDDLE, HAZEL DUNN, DAN FINNEGAN, Retired Conductor JOSEPH MASCOLINO, Retired Supervisor BOB BROWN, Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS, and many more. All good wishes are wished to JERRY HANAFIN and his family for a wonderful retirement life. Everyone had such a nice time that night at the dinner...Received a nice card from the ALFRED GRABES, retired motorman, who lives in Mountain Home, Arkansas. Al had an operation for cataracts on his eyes but is doing real fine now and hopes to come up to Chicago for a visit in the spring. Have a speedy recovery, Al...Hi to newly hired Janitors ROGER BARNES and WILLIAM CHRISHON, to transferee from the Stores Department Agent JAMES BROWN, to newly hired agents LOIS SPRUILL, ANNIE ANDERSON, JANET GIBSON, NORMA LOCKE, DOROTHY McMORRIS, and BRENDA WESTBROOK, and to RUTHIE NEWSOME who transferred from part-time agent to full-time agent...Our condolences to Retired Towerman PATRICK HICKEY whose brother passed away recently...Congratulations to South Section Motorman LEONARD BEATTY who was elected president of Division 308; to HUGH HEGARTY who was elected secretary-treasurer; to CHARLES LOUGHRAN who was elected vice-president; to WILFRED SPEARS who was elected South Section board member, and to all the new officers elected and the ones retained for another term...Motorman PAUL DUCAR's son, DAVID, who was in Viet Nam, is coming home in March for a furlough and the Ducar family is overjoyed with the good news...Agent MARCELLA BITTERLIN, who had been on the sick list, is back working and wishes to thank everyone for all the cards and calls she received while she was ill...Division 308 Secretary-Treasurer MICHAEL CRONIN has taken his pension and a party was given in his honor at the Johnny Weigelt Hall in the Queen Anne's ballroom, 3910 N. Damen, and about 170 people attended. A buffet dinner was served which had all kinds of goodies on it. A gift was presented to Mr. Cronin from all his friends. It was a nice affair. Our sincere good wishes to Michael for a happy and healthy retirement life... On the sick list at this time are Motorman GEORGE ROSS, Conductors STANELY KIELDYK and WILLIAM HUNNIFORD, Switchman RAY LAFAIRE, and Janitor HAROLD TURNER. Hope they all return to work real soon...Received a nice letter from Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS who is spending the winter in Phoenix, Arizona. It had been rather cool there for awhile, but much warmer than Chicago. Charlie likes Arizona very much. While there, he visited with THOMAS McINERNEY, retired collector, and his wife, NANCY, former assignment agent, and they say "hello" to all their friends in Chicago... Retired Conductor JAMES MURPHY passed away recently. Our sincere condolences to his family...Receiving passenger commendations recently were Conductor ROBERT SMITH who helped a passenger who was being annoyed by another passenger, and Conductor MATHEW WILLIAMS for being courteous to his passengers...The JOE TVRDIKS, assistant station superintendent, had a nice winter vacation in the Bahamas, Nassau, and Freeport living it up in the sun and on the boat they were traveling on. Doesn't that sound better than this below-zero weather we've been having. Oh, how many more days till Spring?

- Vorna Hartney

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Congratulations to MICKEY and REGINA BESS, Congress, on the birth of their daughter. The little Miss America, also known as BRIDGET, cut a slim figure at 6 pounds 12 ounces. Best wishes to all...Good luck to J. BAKER, Congress, who returned home to work for the Memphis Transit company as a bus mechanic...Wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to JESSIE WILLIAMS, Wilson, and JAMES O'TOOLE, Howard, who are off on the sick list. ..A hearty welcome to V. COX, J. COOPER Jr., and R. L. WRIGHT, new car servicemen at Howard...An extra holiday delight was enjoyed by MIKE VASQUEZ, Congress, and his family who spent a three-week holiday vacation visiting family and friends in Mexico...Enjoying a mid-winter vacation are D. BRODIE, L. COLLINS, and M. GALLAGHER, Wilson...The answer to last month's riddle as to who can sprout his ears and fly--FRANK ZAMPETTI.

- Ray Brzeczek

SOUTH SHOPS -

Congratulations to RAYMONDE BRYAR, the wife of RICHARD BRYAR, who works in the electrical department. She entered the United States in February, 1961, and became a citizen on September 17, 1969. Mrs. Bryar is from Montendre, Charente Maritime, France...Congratulations to EDWARD ROBERTS, electrical department, who celebrated his 50th anniversary with CTA on September 1. Ed, ANDY ANDERSON, their wives, and FRANCES LOUWARD took the CTA group tour to Spain and had a wonderful time. ..On October 13, the CTA Rosary Group in the brake department observed its 15th anniversary of continuous rosary prayers. The men pray a decade daily on their lunch hour. At one time there were 65 men gathering daily for prayers. Most of these men have retired or passed on. Anyone for prayers at lunch time?

- Elaine Stewart

WEST SECTION -

I hope this hot news warms you up, cause it sure is cold outside (brr---)...Superintendent ED HEATTER and SANTO SICILIANO served as co-bosts of the Lake Street Christmas party and there was plenty of food for all. It was a combined effort with our co-workers from the South Side who travel the Dan Ryan with us. We had a few pensioners drop by also. Soul brothers, we tried to have some chitterlings, but couldn't find anyone to volunteer to clean and cook them. Maybe next time we will have better luck. . . GEORGE WOODMORE lost his son, RAY, who passed away after a long illness. Our condolences go out to him and his family. ..J. HOLAKOVSKY's father passed away and our sympathy goes out to his family...Back off the sick list is J. RAGSDELL who had a battle with pneumonia. Welcome back, Rags...Supervisor V. BURGESS and his lovely wife, SADIE, celebrated 23 years of marriage along with 74 guests, with the compliments of their children. Then to top that off, they where made proud grandparents with the birth of a 4 pound 10 ounce baby girl. Many happy returns to the Burgess'...Mr. JERRY BOYLAN retired as the treasurer of the Lake Street credit union where he served faithfully for 23 years. He turned over all the headaches to his successor, Mr. JOHN McCARTY, who served as his assistant for 18 years. Mr. Boylan has a son, RAYMOND, who is an Ensign on the USS Owens. Ray used to work for CTA as a ticket agent. Can anyone loan Jerry a dime for coffee?..Congratulations to Mr. LEONARD BEATTY who became President of Local Division 308; to Mr. CHARLES LOUGHRAN who became vice-president; to Mr. HUGH HEGARTY as secretary-treasurer, and to all the other newly installed officers of Division 308. Quoted by Mr. Beatty, "Give your service for values received, and receive values for services rendered." We all hope these goals can be achieved. Good luck, gentlemen...Mr. JOHN BURNS who served as president will come back to train service. You did a fine job, John...MICHAEL CRONIN, who served as secretary-treasurer, will take his pension and enjoy all that leisure time. Enjoy yourself, Mike, and good health...Belated birthday greetings to R. RAMSEY and JAMES GORDON. James, for a young man you sure are absent minded. Imagine coming to work on your birthday and having to be reminded by the clerk what day it is? Dumb, dumb, dumb, but many more happy days, fellows...F. BRADLEY's wife blessed him with a baby girl. Now, pop, if you think that little FRED Jr. kept you up at night, you will find girls really bug you no end. Congratulations to you both...B. RADULSKI plays checkers pretty good but can't beat H. DIXON. On chess you better watch out, Dixon...J. WILLIAMS was always reading newspaper items out loud. Now we know why. He was practicing for a slot as a disc jockey for radio station WEAW on weekends. Good luck, John... Best wishes to little DANIEL KELLY, the son of Motorman JACK KELLY, on a fast recovery from his illness. Happy birthday, little Daniel...IKE HOUSTON celebrated his birthday, and his wife, CHRIS, had to do all the cooking and the entertaining of the guest. I hope it wasn't hard, Chris, putting all the babies to bed, including Ike, and their really smart dog, Teddy. Many happy returns, Ike...Congratulations to P. NAUGHTON and B. MORRIS on being accepted for supervisors school...JOHN JOVANOVICH, who recently acquired a car, says that he doesn't like to drive in this icy weather. He is going to get to work by CTA. I agree...Well that's enough chatter for now, so back out in the cold and the chattering of the teeth. Wrap up warm, gang--men in their long-johns, and you ladies in your fine minks...SANTO took a week off for vacation and had to spend it unclogging his frozen pipes. He grew a misplaced eyebrow under his nose while he was off, but that was because no man likes to shave in cold water, eh, Santo. Oh, I will have a birthday in February, so happy birthday, LOU...By the time this news gets to you we will be rolling on the Kennedy and we all welcome the new line. Chalk up another one for CTA... See you next time around gang and keep a warm heart. Bye.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

77TH STREET -

Happy New Year to everyone, and may it be a healthful, prosperous year for each of you and your families...December babies are the big news at our station. Operator LAMPTON EVANS' wife, CHARLENE, presented him with two beautiful tax deductions, a boy who weighed in at 6 pounds 1 ounce, and a girl who tipped the scale at 6 pounds 13 ounces. The babies made their debut in St. Francis Cabrini hospital. Operator GEORGE DALMAS and his wife,

CELEBRATING HIS 50th year with CTA is GEORGE L. PELLICORE, chief accountant, General Accounting, who began his career with the Surface Lines as a bookkeeper on January 5, 1920. Congratulating Mr. Pellicore on his golden anniversary are (left) Manager of Finance P. J. MEINARDI and General Manager T. B. O'CONNOR.

CORRINE, welcomed their sixth child on December 1, a beautiful baby girl weighing 7 pounds 2 ounces, who answers to the name of DEENA MARIE. Congratulations to both families...Operator PERCY REDDICK and the little lady moved into their new home in time for the holiday festivities. So, fellows, when you hear Percy talking to himself around the first of the month, don't be concerned, he is just suffering from the "mortgage due blues."..JESSIE THOMAS recently returned to work from the sick list. Welcome back, Jessie, and stay well...Operator STRICKLAND just returned from a week's vacation. It seems he is getting old and needs a rest periodically...Sorry to learn that the beloved mother of Relief Station Superintendent WILLIAM SCHWEITZER passed away on Friday, December 12. Our sympathy to the Schweitzer family...Sincere sympathy to Operator FRED RIGGINS and his family on the loss of his brother who passed away recently...Retired Instructor JOSEPH BRADY has gone to his eternal rest. Condolences to the Brady family...Operator WILLIAM RYE, "The King Drive Kid," gave Mrs. RYE a new home on their 35th anniversary...Incidentally, fellows, if your wives give you mean stares after reading the above, don't blame me, I only write the news, so you better see Bill Rye...The basketball league sponsored by Division 241 is in full swing. To date, the 77th Street Jets have won two games and lost two...We lost our opening game to Kedzie by a score of 44 to 42. Our second game was with the Building Department and we won 68 to 16. The third game was played with North Avenue and we lost 47 to 34. The game of the week was staged last Tuesday, January 20, between the unbeaten Beverly team and the 77th Street Jets. We were aware of the challenge and had looked forward to the game because we realized Beverly was the team to beat for the championship. The 77th Street Jets went into the game with a record of one win and two losses. Beverly jumped off to an eight point lead before we scored our first basket. But very early in the game, it became evident that Beverly was not going to romp over the Jets in the manner in which they had won their three previous games. At half time, Beverly was leading by two points and each man on our team was becoming more confident that we could win. With seven minutes left on the clock, Beverly was leading by seven points--and the Jets went into a full court press. We capitalized on three quick turnovers, and with only thirty seconds of playing time remaining, we tied the score and sent the game into overtime. We struck first in the overtime period, and went on to win 62 to 56. On Tuesday, January 27, our team led by GUY STUTTLEY with his fine ball handling, slaughtered Lawndale Depot by a score of 72 to 45. Fellow operators, you are missing some exciting basketball games, so come out and root for your team. The games are played every Tuesday and Thursday evenings at the Washington park fieldhouse, 55th and King Drive. We need the support and encouragement of every man at 77th Street.

- Elcosie Gresham

69TH STREET -

ED STEFFAN says that Mrs. YOUNG finally convinced MICKEY to take a long earned vacation after 30 years. At this time they may be in Los Angeles, San Francisco, or Las Vegas looking at the Andy Williams show. B. PULICK, who can't afford liverwurst, and FRALE would have a nervous breakdown if they knew how much it is costing Mickey...JOE KOVATZ has a real racket going. He charged L. G. DAKE $1.00 and his meal ticket for just a poor old sandwich and no coffee, after Dake had put in 12 hours loading salt in a snowstorm...Instructor M. J. O'DONNELL had FLYNN drafted from 77th Street to act as his assistant during the cold spell...P. E. KRUEGER discovered a bad dent and scratch when he had his new Olds washed...JOE PLANT was seen in the Union restaurant with a very pretty lady. Who was she, Joe?..C. (Draw Bars) HOLLAND has left 63rd and is now working 59th...Operator GREEN's daughter, LINDA, is now engaged to ROBERT MURRY. When is the big day, fellow?..Collector C. M. BIRD was a grandfather for the fourth time when a grandson was born December 2...Collector J. HENNESSY had a hernia operation so he could be in tip-top shape when he takes up duties as the first collector on the moon...DAVIDSON celebrated his 40th wedding anniversary on January 20 and said it seems like only yesterday when he said, "I do"...E. R. BEHRENS fell and broke a rib...P. YUSKA had his gall bladder removed last September and hopes to return to work soon...JIM SCALDON of the Union restaurant had an operation on his throat and worked the next day. Lot's of spunk, fellow...M. HENEHAN was operated on for a hernia and is now working as a ticket agent...We certainly miss J. DUFFY, E. BECKER, C. DERRICK, R. CARSON, and T. CALLOPY who are now working in Central Accounting... Collector CARL SCHOENBAUM is home recuperating from a leg fracture...GEORGE MEYERS, the son of ED MEYERS, was home for Christmas. He is now an electrician mate 3, in the U.S. Navy. He was in the Mediterranean and visited Italy, Spain, Greece, Malta, France, and Germany where he bought some beer steins for his dad...The silent reaper passed our way and took the father of W. WITTSTOCK; the mother-in-law of GUS MELANDER; JOHN J. LYONS; former instructor JOE BRADY; Mrs. MAUDE SWANSON, the mother of Instructor SWANSON; J. BIRMINGHAM, the father of Supervisor BIRMINGHAM; A. JOHNSON, the brother of Instructor JOHNSON; the mother of Relief Superintendent W. SCHWEITZER, and the brother of Collector W. WASINSKI. May we extend our deepest sympathy to each family on their great loss...The 69th Street Credit Union meeting was a big success with a nice turnout. The officers for 1970 are: JAMES AHERN, TOM COOK, BILL DONAHUE, RAY HAMMERSCHMIDT, ED HIMEL, JAMES KELLY, ANDY KOHLSTEDT, TIM MULVEY, TOM REILLY, JOHN TIFFY, MEL TURNER, and TONY VANDENBERG. Some of the door prize winners were: DAN O'ROURKE, RAY ORACKI, H. JAMES, W. MONROE, and 18 others. Let's all give the officers a word of thanks for a job well done...JIMMY AHERN of the repair department was real busy during the cold spell, but took time to report that JOE VANDENOEVER paid a visit looking very good while enjoying his retirement. MIKE BARRY, former trainman in the old days, has recuperated from his illness. OLEY HANSEN was around for a visit. He is in good health and enjoying his life of leisure. MIKE CARR says he is doing alright. JOE GAMEN says hello to all the boys. He is in Orlando, Florida, enjoying the sunshine. To all of them, and the many others, we wish them many years of health and happiness...We wish a speedy recovery to B. GRANT and MARTIN CAPLIS who have been off sick for some time...The operators wish to thank the repair department for doing a good job in keeping the buses clean, warm, and in good working order during the cold spell. Thanks, again...Let's not forget the mail box. It is located to the right of the clerks' window. Please drop your news items in it.

- Arthur P. Buesing

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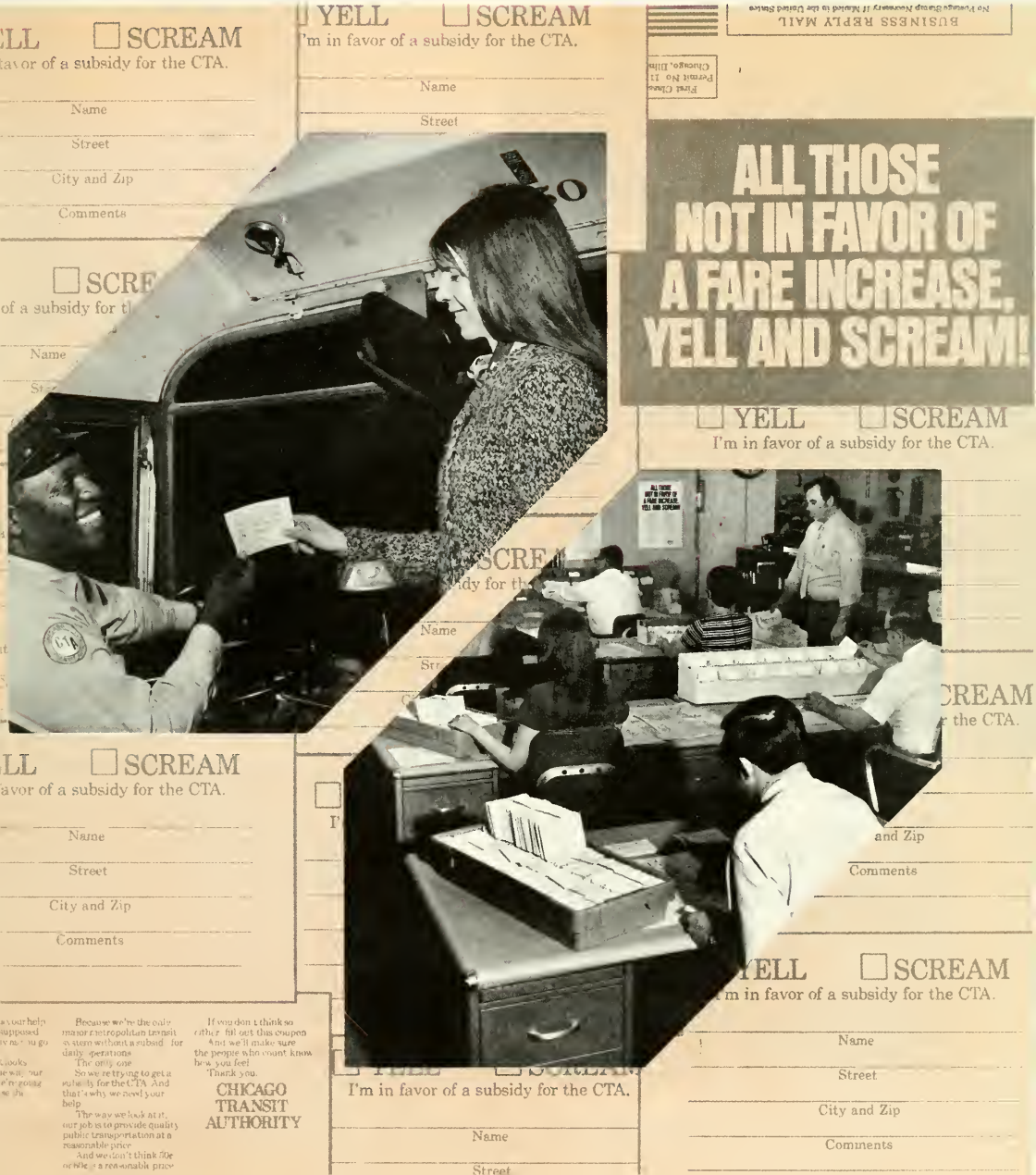

a message from

Chairman George L. DeMent

and

General Manager Thomas B. O'Connor

To date we have received more than 250,000 replies as a result of the "Yell & Scream" campaign conducted recently. This campaign, as you undoubtedly know, is to let legislators know how the public feels about a subsidy for CTA.

The results are gratifying considering the short notice given before the campaign went into effect and the important part each employe played getting the message to our riders. The manner in which you came to our aid reflects the concern which you have for the problem, and the pride you have in your company.

The legislators have been informed of the response to the campaign. It is hoped they will recognize the existing need for public funds to subsidize transit.

Needless to say, our riding public cannot afford another fare increase. The people it would hurt the most are the poor, the aged, the very young, and the handicapped--the ones who must depend upon us for transportation. Thank you again.

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OUR COVER: More than one million "Yell & Scream" cards were distributed on CTA vehicles on Tuesday, April 14, so that riders could tell State legislators how they felt about a subsidy for CTA. Miss Kathleen Szatkowski is shown returning her filled out card to Limits Station Operator Cleven Wardlow. Completed cards forwarded to CTA offices were processed by sorting into legislative districts.

J. J. Hemzacek Retires With 37 Years' Service

RETIRING APRIL 1 after 37 years of service in the Transportation Department was Joseph J. Hemzacek, the superintendent of surface operations.

Mr. Hemzacek joined the Chicago Surface Lines as a trainman on November 7, 1933, and became a starter in 1935. He was subsequently appointed to the positions of instructor in 1938, supervisor in 1941, radio-telephone operator in 1945, station superintendent in 1950, and superintendent of instruction in 1954. In January, 1956, Mr. Hemzacek became superintendent of surface operations, the position he held until the time of his retirement.

Mr. Hemzacek is shown in the accompanying picture at an open house held in the Merchandise Mart on March 30. The presentation of a gift from his friends and co-workers was made by General Manager T. B. O'Connor as Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn looks on.

AS A reminder to all employes, the Insurance Department recently announced that dependent hospital and surgical insurance coverage is not automatic. It is necessary that an employe enroll his eligible dependents for coverage under the Hospital & Surgical Insurance Plan.

Failure to notify the Insurance Department of any change in dependency status or failure to enroll eligible dependents could cause the rejection of an insurance claim made by the employe. Employes are also reminded that if there is a change in dependency status, the necessary change cards must be completed to add a new dependent or remove a dependent because of change in marital status or by reason of age.

For those employes who have a dependent covered under the Hospital Plan who is physically or mentally handicapped, the employe must provide the Insurance Department with a letter from the dependent's doctor attesting to the fact that the dependent is physically or mentally handicapped within thirty-one (31) days after their dependent reaches his nineteenth (19th) birthday.

If there are any questions concerning your coverage under the Plan, contact the Insurance Department.

Ex-Marines Reunited After 25 Years

Operators Ed Cajda and Roy Waldrop

THERE WAS a joyous reunion recently at Keeler Station when the new system pick went into effect and two ex-marine buddies, Operators Ed Cajda and Roy Waldrop, met again after 25 years.

Both men enlisted in the U.S. Marines during World War II, Cajda from Illinois and Waldrop from Alabama, and met for the first time when they were assigned to the same company of the 26th Marines 5th Division. Their outfit took part in the invasion of Iwo Jima starting on February 19, 1945. Out of a complement of 64 men in their company, they were two of seven that came out of the battle without injuries.

Their friendship remained throughout the campaign until they were separated by orders in Japan during 1945. Both were discharged in 1946--Cajda from Great Lakes, Illinois, and Waldrop from Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. When the Korean war began, Waldrop re-enlisted in the Air Force and flew 50 missions as a radio operator. Cajda has a son who is now serving in Viet Nam.

A 14-year employe, Cajda started his career with CTA on August 22, 1955, while Waldrop, a seven-year employe, began his career with the company on November 17, 1962.

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GENERAL MANAGER

GEORGE L. DeMENT
CHAIRMAN

TO ALL EMPLOYES:

Again this year, Chicago Transit Authority will conduct a month-long campaign to acquaint employes with the benefits of purchasing U.S. Savings Bonds through the payroll savings plan. During the month of May, all employes will be contacted by a fellow worker and given the opportunity to begin a savings program or add to their present program.

The interest rate of Savings Bonds was recently increased to 5% when held to maturity of 5 years, 10 months. This higher rate makes them more desirable than ever when they are held for a long-range savings goal. Savings Bonds are an attractive way to finance college education for your children, to save for a new home or car, or to establish a retirement fund to add to your CTA retirement plan. The fellow employe who contacts you can explain the advantages of a long-range savings plan.

The payroll savings plan is a "painless" way of saving. CTA does the book work, and you reap the benefits. The amount you put into the plan each pay period is shown on your check stub as a "deduction", but in reality it is an allotment, payable to you with interest when you cash a bond. And you pay no State income tax on the interest you receive.

We urge you to consider carefully this opportunity to sign up for the payroll savings plan or to increase your present allotment. Consider especially that U.S. Savings Bonds mean security not only for you, but for your country, too.

T. B. O'Connor

G. DeMent

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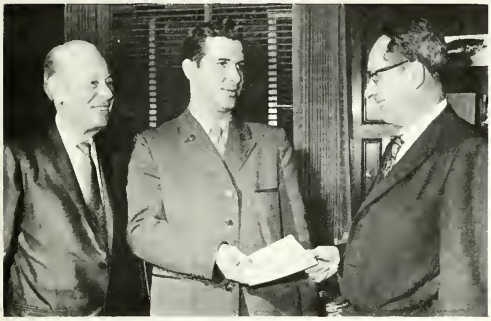
North Ave. Operator Rewarded for Honesty



IF DIOGENES were alive today, his search for the honest man would have ended with his discovery of North Avenue Station Operator Kenneth Stolz, a nine-year employe of CTA.

Stolz, who drives a bus on Chicago avenue, exemplified this trust when an elderly lady boarded his bus at Mayfield avenue, and upon alighting at Laramie avenue, a check in the amount of $13,934 she was carrying fell to the street.

Ken continued on his route to Cicero avenue where he was relieved. Before turning in, he returned to Chicago and Laramie to pick up his wife, as they had to go shopping, when he saw the check lying in the street near the curb.

"I thought at first it was one of those imitation checks that you get in a magazine, and I had to look at it closely before I realized that it was a real negotiable check," he said.

Stolz couldn't make out the names that were on the check, but he returned it to the Citizens National Bank, which issued it, on the opposite corner from where he found it. They accepted the check thankfully and gave it to the tearful woman who had lost it.

The president of the bank, Marvin E. Neland, invited Stolz to come to the bank on Thursday, March 19, when he was rewarded with a savings bond by the bank, and another bond from the grateful lady who had lost the check. In the picture above, Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent looks on as the presentation is made.

Stolz and his wife, who works as a cashier in a supermarket, have four sons and a daughter.

12 Qualify as Rapid Transit Traffic Supervisors

GRADUATION CERTIFICATES were presented recently to 12 rapid transit system operating employes who completed the rapid transit traffic supervisor's training program. The trainees are now assigned to the supervisory pool and are available to fill vacancies as they occur. To familiarize them with actual working conditions, the trainees are also available to fill temporary assignments, as needed, in the rapid transit traffic supervisor's classification.

Members of the class pictured here with Transportation Department supervisory personnel include, from left: first row—L. Deransburg, C. Lee, A. Hubbard, P. Naughton, and R. W. Tracy, superintendent of operations. Second row—A. Thomas, B. Morris, C. Meyer, J. Pritt, G. Thivel, and J. R. Blaa, superintendent of rapid transit operations. Third row—H. Lowenstein, rapid transit district superintendent, D. Closs, and A. Wilson.

Supervisory Appointments Affect Three Departments

THE APPOINTMENTS of 28 employes to new positions since January 1 have resulted in changes to supervisory personnel in three CTA departments--Transportation, Shops & Equipment, and Public Information.

In three separate bulletins, Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn named 18 employes to new posts. The appointments were approved by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.

Assuming new assignments at surface system operating stations on January 1 were the superintendents of four stations: E. K. Peterson, Forest Glen, M. F. Harrington, Kedzie, L. M. Keag, Archer, and J. H. Lynch, 52nd Street. Also named in the bulletin effective January 1 were H. P. Braun as Archer Station assistant superintendent, W. H. Chamberlain as Lawndale Station assistant superintendent, V. L. Johnson as North Park and Forest Glen Stations relief superintendent, and J. P. McEvilly as Limits and Keeler Stations senior instructor.

Appointments of personnel at rapid transit system operating stations effective February 1 include the naming of E. J. Heatter as superintendent of Jefferson Park Station, J. P. Flynn as superintendent of Forest Park Station, B. J. Limanowski as Douglas and Congress Stations assistant superintendent, J. Zupko and J. E. Roberts as West Section relief station superintendents, and R. Suta as North Section relief station superintendent.

General Office and surface district personnel named in assignments effective April 1 include R. Dagenais, superintendent of surface operations; T. J. Shanahan, assistant superintendent of surface operations; R. F. Reighard, District C superintendent; T. A. Hildebrant, District C and D relief superintendent, and W. C. Rohl, District A supervisor.

Changes in the Shops & Equipment Department foreman assignments were announced recently by J. W. Dain, superintendent of garages. Effective February 8, S. Marsico was promoted to relief foreman at Forest Glen Garage and effective January 11, S. Bennett was promoted to relief foreman at Lawndale Garage. The following promotions became effective April 5: R. Biard as assistant day foreman at Beverly Garage, L. Harper as p.m. foreman at Limits Garage, L. Bottando as p.m. foreman at Archer Garage, O. Williams as relief foreman at North Avenue Garage, and J. Morales as relief foreman at Keeler Garage.

The appointment of Steve Sluzinski as foreman of Mechanical Section "B" at South Shops was announced by J. Bolech, superintendent of surface system shops, and became effective April 1.

The Shops & Equipment Department appointments were approved by J. J. Repplinger, superintendent of surface system shops and garages, and G. J. Clark, superintendent of shops and equipment.

The appointment of J. Rodriguez as sales manager of the charter service section in the Public Information Department became effective January 1. The appointment was made by F. C. Knautz, superintendent of public and employe relations, and approved by General Manager T. B. O'Connor.

5 CTAERS COMPLETE APPRENTICESHIPS

IN ACCORDANCE with U.S. Department of Labor standards, five Skokie Shops employes successfully completed their apprenticeship which consisted of on-the-job training and related technical instruction. Receiving their certificates of apprenticeship completion recently were three machinists and two electrical workers.

The presentation of certificates was made by E. R. Hendrickson (right), superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals, to (from left) Ronald Glisczczynski, machinist, Mark Dundovich and Vito Pontrelli, electrical workers; and Joe DeMarco and John McDermott, machinists.

Lawndale Garagemen Vow 100% Safety in 1970

IN COOPERATION with the Shops & Equipment Department's never-ending campaign to reduce accidents and personal injuries through proper utilization of safety equipment, the men at Lawndale Bus Garage have pledged 100 per cent safety in 1970. Each man at Lawndale has donned one of the new company-issued bright orange bump hats for his own protection. In addition to that, safety regulations at the garage are being followed with special regard.

Personnel at Lawndale Garage were recently congratulated by S&E department supervisory personnel on their fast response to a fire drill, as well as on their all-out safety efforts. Addressing the men (from left) are J. J. Repplinger, superintendent of surface system shops and garages; G. J. Clark, superintendent of shops and equipment, and L. Kramer, garage supervisor of Lawndale, Archer, and 52nd Street Garages.

RECENT CTA ADDITIONS TO THE ARMED FORCES

BASDEN, D. J., Serviceman, 77th Street
CONWAY, J. B., Serviceman, 69th Street
CUCI, J. A. Jr., Programmer Trainee, Methods & Procedures
DAVENPORT, S., Operator, North Park
DOERR, T. E., Repairer, 69th Street
DONNELLY, F. J., Serviceman, Limits
FEATHERSON, R. E., Janitor, North Section
FLEMING, R. A., Graduate Trainee II, Training
FREEBAIRN, D. S., Serviceman, Archer
HEISE, L. W. Jr., Laborer, Building
HOOKS, W. O., Ticket Agent, West Section
JOHNSON, G. W., Serviceman, North Park
KRUZEL, P., Serviceman, North Avenue
LACEY, L., Serviceman, Dan Ryan
MANGELSDORFF, D. A., Transit Technician III, Research & Planning
MASSEY, M. T., Operator, Beverly
McKAN, J., Operator, 69th Street
MEAD, D. J., Operator, 77th Street
MRZENA, F. A., Tire Repairer, Archer
PRAVDA, W. T., Serviceman, Archer
REIMER, I. A., Operator, North Park
SALONE, M. R., Serviceman, Forest Glen
SCARBROUGH, R. J. Jr., Serviceman, 77th Street
SCHILL, A. J., Operator, North Park
SIMS, R., Motorman, North Section
TADAVICH, C. R., Serviceman, Forest Glen
THORNTON, G. L., Operator, Kedzie
VELINSKE, R. R., Serviceman, Forest Glen
WHITENHILL, N., Serviceman, 69th Street

RECENTLY RETURNED

BICHKOFF, W. Jr., Serviceman, North Park
CLARK, G. L., Operator, North Park
COSTLEY, D. F., Repairer, Forest Glen
DICKERSON, C. A., Serviceman, 69th Street
FULTON, F. L., Serviceman, North Park
GREEN, T., Operator, North Park
GROSS, B. F., Operator, 77th Street
HARPER, H. C., Operator, North Park
JOHNSON, G. W., Serviceman, North Park
KENNEDY, A. T., Carpenter, Building Division
KERSH, A. J., Operator, 69th Street
KLIMSON, W. R., Repairer, 69th Street
MAYFIELD, J. A., Serviceman, North Avenue
McCRAY, W. E., Serviceman, 69th Street
McENANEY, J. P., Serviceman, 69th Street
MILASH, L. P. Jr., Serviceman, 77th Street
MOORE, F. W., Serviceman, 77th Street
RAPP, T. W., Collector, West Section
ROWELL, J., Serviceman, Kedzie
SMITH, W. W., Janitor, Keeler
SUNDBLAD, P. M., Stock Clerk I, Stores-South
WHITE, W. E., Trackman, Engineering
WILKINS, J. C., Operator, Kedzie

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin, CTA Medical Consultant

ORGAN TRANSPLANTS

IT WAS only about two years ago that a grocer in Cape Town, South Africa, had the first successful heart transplant in the world. This man was close to death. At that time he received one of the most fantastic gifts that medical science has ever attempted to give a human being. The gift was a new heart from a young woman killed in an automobile accident. The patient's condition improved and the new heart functioned satisfactorily for about three weeks when a complication, pneumonia, set in and he expired from this complication.

This experience opened a whole new era of heart transplants and caused enough publicity to make the world realize that transplants are not only possible but are becoming more common.

A kidney from the same young woman's body was given to a ten year old boy whose kidneys had failed. The kidney transplant received only secondary publicity because surgeons have been doing successful kidney transplants for several years.

One of the main problems in organ transplants is the human body's tendency to reject transplanted organs. Although complete control of transplant rejection is not at hand now, professional skill is gradually accumulating to overcome this problem.

In the major transplant hospital centers, the one-year survival for kidney transplants from live, related donors is 65 to 70 per cent, based on more than 1,000 cases which have been performed. The two-year survival averages are 60 to 65 per cent. The chances for success with a kidney transplanted from a cadaver are somewhat less.

Whether such figures justify the attempt to transplant a heart at this time is a point of argument among physicians, but the question is largely one of timing, not of practice.

Tissue or organ transplants did not begin with the heart and it will not end there. Several different organs or organ parts have been transplanted before and others will be used in future transplant attempts. Among the types of organ transplants under active investigation in the medical laboratories are the lungs, liver, spleen, small intestine, and various endocrine glands such as the pituitary, pancreas, parathyroid, and adrenal glands. Initial human trials have already been attempted in the case of the lungs, liver, and pancreas.

Even in more modern times, transplanting was a well-recognized and valuable medical technique, long before the heart-transplant operations. Blood transfusions, for example, are special types of transplants.

The cornea in the eye presents fewer problems in transplanting. It really does very little work, can get its oxygen directly from the air, and is not dependent on a direct large blood supply. Most tissues need a lively supply of blood and large organs may have to be connected with arteries, veins, ducts, motor nerves, and other attachments.

The transplanting of artery and vein segments is made easier because of the fact that they themselves carry the blood on which they depend. Bone segments (not the whole bone as yet) have likewise been successfully transplanted. One reason for this is because their rate of oxygen consumption is low and they do not need a direct or lively blood supply. Tendon transplants are in the same category.

Artificial hearts and kidneys have been developed and used for short periods successfully. They are not really substitute organs but cardiac and kidney assistance devices. They are intended to help the patient's own heart to pump blood when it is weakened by disease or immediately after surgery.

Woven synthetic fabric tubes have been developed and work very well in arterial and venous grafts. The heart-lung machine, a device used in open-heart surgery to keep the patient's blood supplied with oxygen and flowing through the body, suggests that an artificial implantable lung may be possible. Investigators have developed a new heart-lung machine small enough to be implantable.

Considerable progress in organ transplants by medical research has been made in recent years. Much more will come in future years.

In the long run, the major questions and problems of organ transplanting may have not only medical, but ethical, legal, and moral considerations. These problems will have to be worked out, for it is not likely that transplanting will be abandoned as long as it holds a promise of life to persons facing certain death from disease or injury.

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (General) -

TONY SCARDINA has returned to work after an illness. Good to see you back, Tony...JOHN GEARY, who retired last December 1, was in to see his many friends on St. Patrick's day. We thank you for the good Irish candy, John, and we were happy to see you looking so well...Pensioner LILLIAN OESTERREICH, former comptometer operator in Material and Supplies Accounting, passed away January 26 at Lutheran Retirement home in Arlington Heights, Illinois. ..Mrs. IRMA KROWN, who retired several years ago as a clerk in the Accounts Payable Section, passed away January 22 at her son's home in Forty Fort, Pennsylvania. However, the body was transferred to Chicago for burial...Pensioner OTTO STACK, formerly an abstract clerk in Accounts Payable Section, passed away on February 10. Otto would have been 84 years of age.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

(Tabulating) -

DAN FRUSOLONE is back to work after a short hospital stay. Nice to have you back, Dan...CARMELLA PETRELLA spent part of her vacation in sunny (?) Florida. She reports that the weather was so cold and rainy, that after a week or so she came back to sunny Chicago.

- Evelyn Leu

(Payroll) -

If you wondered what all the excitement was about in the Payroll Department one bright sunny morning recently, it happened when JOANNE PARIS came in with a lovely diamond on her left hand. We knew she was planning a wonderful skiing trip to France, so it was doubly exciting when it turned out to be a honeymoon, too. We were able to wish the happy couple, Mr. and Mrs. FRANK STASI, bon voyage and best wishes for much happiness...We are glad that MARIE COARI has returned after a bout with a dislocated shoulder. We missed her and it is good to have her back as her exuberant self again. Next time, please watch those stairs, Marie.

- Clara Lawrence

CLAIM -

Quite a few promotions took place in our department and these people should be congratulated. They are: SHARI PUPA and MARGE CONWAY who are now brief writers, CHARLIE MARBLE and AL PORTER who became statementmen, and TIM O'ROURKE who recently made court assistant. Congratulations, everyone!..MARGE CONWAY had a wonderful time on her Acapulco, Mexico, vacation but came back with 7 million more freckles...MIKE O'SULLIVAN, the son of DONALD O'SULLIVAN, legal investigator, recently participated in the De Paul Holiday Basketball tournament. Thirty-two grammar school teams entered. He was chosen the outstanding center and named to the tournament all-star team. The pride of his father is without mention...We have three new people in our midst that we would like to welcome, MARY ANN BOHAT, ROY JACKSON, and LOIS POTTS. Welcome!..DORIS SULLIVAN has a new grandson, the second, SCOTT LARRY who was born December 27. He has a brother, CRAIG ROBERT, almost three years old...A fine time was had by all who attended the D.A.I. Credit Union dance. We are already looking forward to next year's dance.

- Ruth Kaminski & Terri Kramer

CONGRESS (Agents) -

Our heartfelt and sincere sympathy to North Section Superintendent J. W. BRUCKER and his wife on the loss of their beloved son...Agent MINNIE DIKEMAN celebrated her birthday on St. Patrick's day...The St. Patrick's day parade made MARY GALLAGHER and PATRICK DOYLE a wee bit homesick for the old sod, and left them with an idea on how to spend their vacations this year...Agent MARY NOLAN had a week's vacation, so she and her brother and sister busied themselves with the spring cleaning so that they could have a carefree vacation...Clerk L. GUNN celebrated his birthday, March 2, with his family and friends...Agent JOSEPH VANEK celebrated his birthday on March 15 with the boys. Their bowling team is in fourth place...Pensioner MARY EVERDING is back in the Chicago area again. She had been living in Virginia...One day I happened to meet Pensioner MINNIE TONN who said, "Do you remember me?" Old friends are never forgotten, and Minnie is as spry as ever...Pensioner JULIA LEAHY hasn't changed a bit. She is as active as ever and her smile as cheery as always...Towerman JOE VARGO retired on March 1. Joe and his wife, JEAN, are going to California to visit their son who is studying oceanography...A great big welcome to the new employes; we would like to share their happy times in this column...STANLEY BANALS and his wife, BERNICE, celebrated their 43rd wedding anniversary on February 23 with their children and grandchildren. They have a son who is a radio announcer in Wisconsin, not far from my sisters, and one of these days I am going to stop off at the station. Their other son, as you have been told, is a technician at Cape Kennedy...Agent JOHN JOYCE retired on February 1 and is now busy with his grandchildren... Agent CATHERINE DALY is now retired. We were on the extra board together. Best wishes for a happy retirement and I hope to see you soon...Retired Janitor PATTERSON came through the station one day. He said he had been ill, but he looks fine now...What happened to Janitor LOUIS THOMPSON? Is he in Cleveland now?..Agent WALTER STASULAS is on vacation, so Walter and his wife are planning to visit all the finer gourmet restaurants in town... FAY CAPRIO has a cute apricot colored toy poodle. It knows the difference between the car keys and the house keys. It puts on quite a show when the car keys jingle... Father Quentin and his secretary, Julia Cahill, of the Little Flower Society are working seven days a week towards achieving their goal which is helping a lot of wonderful boys achieve theirs. It is never too late to help and donations are tax deductible. The gift shop has a nice selection. Stop in and browse around sometime.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL (General Office) -

KATHIE and CLYDE HAYES, Signal, are the proud parents of a baby boy, CRAIG RICHARD, who was born on January 5. The little one was lovingly welcomed into the Hayes home on February 19. Congratulations from all of us...MIKE and MARIAN RICKSON flew to Las Vegas for a brief respite from the winter weather. They enjoyed the night club shows but didn't strike it rich on roulette or the slot machines. That's the way they plan it, Mike...BERNADETTE KIZIOR spent a delightful weekend skiing in upper Michigan. There was lots of snow and the slopes were just about perfect for smooth gliding.

- Kay McAlister

(Blue Island) -

Pfc. ROBERT STAUNTON, the son of WILLIAM and KAY STAUNTON, was married to Miss SHARON BOGACKI on January 17. Robert is stationed at Fort Hood, Texas... Mr. and Mrs. AL BRONZELL vacationed in Florida, Nassau, and Puerto Rico...Received a card from Mr. and Mrs. JOHN RUSNAK who are touring Mexico...Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM REHDER just returned from two weeks in beautiful Hawaii...Good luck to WALTER YOCIUS who retired on April 1. He was given a nice send-off by his co-workers on March 20. The breakfast was attended by several pensioners who were teaching Walter how to take it easy. They were: P. PETERSON, J. BERNSTEIN, J. SKIRIS, E. BOYLE, M. BATTISTO, P. CARPINO, and M. STIGLIC. R. SWINDEL and C. MALOTTKE expressed wishes for health and happiness for the group of about 60 men...Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD ROCK are the proud parents of a boy born in January...Welcome back to JOE WALLON who has just returned from a long illness. J. O'DONNELL, R. PRIESBE, L. DONOFRIO, and F. WOJCIK are still out sick.

- William Rehder

ENGINEERING -

Get-well wishes are extended to JACK O'REILLY who is back in the hospital. We hope you'll recuperate soon, Jack, and return to our forces again...JOE DUGO is back with us after being on the sick list for several weeks. He has gained weight and looks great. Welcome back, Joe...Your scribe, CAROL RADMAN, returned to the "Old Mill Grind" after recuperating at home for 5½ months following knee surgery. I would like to thank everyone for the lovely cards. They always seemed to come at the right time--just when I needed cheering up. Needless to say, it's good to be back (even though I had to tag along my brace)... LOUISE SANDSTROM spent three weeks in Mexico with her sister, ESTHER O'BRIEN, who retired from the Schedule Department. In Mexico City, they took a nightclub tour and also saw the Ballet Folklorico De Mexico at the Palace of Fine Arts. After spending the weekend in Mexico City, they flew to Acapulco, thoroughly enjoying the tropical climate and sunshine after Chicago's cold January. On February 3 at 11:30 P.M., Mexico had an earthquake of slight intensity. The report from Chilpancingo, Guerrero, situated the epicenter of the temblor near the Guerrero Coast in the Pacific Ocean, and while it lasted only for a few seconds, it was estimated as between five and six degrees on the Richter scale. Louise said this was a new experience in her travels and one she hopes never to witness again. Outside of this incident, she had a very enjoyable time...WILLIAM T. ROSER, former title agent in Real Estate, was in for a visit and we are sorry to hear that his wife, JULIE, passed away in January...Congratulations are extended to PAT McCARTHY who received his license as a structural engineer on January 9, and to ROY SMITH and DAN HIRSCHFELD, both of whom passed the requirements to become registered professional engineers, and to DENNIS PENEPACKER who passed the first part of the registered professional engineer examination...The Engineering Department annual retirement dinner will be held on May 1 at the Peacock Room, 6144 West Cermak road. Cocktails will be served from 6 P.M. to 7 P.M. and dinner starts at 7 P.M. After everyone's food supply is taken care of, you'll be able to shake off the extra weight with vigorous and delightful dancing. You need not be in the Engineering Department to attend--all are invited. So get out your topcoats and dresswear and have a ball. Hurry and get your tickets while they last.

(West Shops) -

SAM LERCARA, laborer, better known as "Cowboy", retired on March 1 after 33 years with the company. Sam plans to travel to Italy and visit the town where he was born. Then he will go to Florida and do some fishing and just take it easy. He really made his last day pleasant by passing out cigars to the men and cigarettes to the ladies. All of his fellow workers and friends were on hand to wish "Cowboy" a long and beautiful retirement...WEST SHOPS FLASH: What ironworker foreman adamantly declares that he has a Volkswagen that goes 120 miles per hour? Is he kidding?..Assistant Steamfitter Foreman WILLIAM GILLIGAN spent a three-week vacation that sounds pretty exciting. He first went to St. Louis where he visited relatives. While he was there he had a ride on the arch. The arch is called The Gateway to the West and is something a person shouldn't miss if he goes to St. Louis. Bill said that he rode in a capsule-like thing with five other people and it went so high that you could see all over St. Louis. From the way he described it, the ride is certainly not for the squeamish. After St. Louis he went to Norfolk Lake, Arkansas, in the Ozarks to do some bass fishing. He said the catch was marvelous and all the fish he didn't eat he gave to relatives. All in all it sounds like that vacation was one to remember...In our department we have had a lot of illness lately and a lot of people have been off. I want to welcome back Steamfitter AL DOWNING who was home suffering with a pinched nerve; Plumber CARMI SCAPPUCCI who has been off a month because of illness; Assistant Bricklayer Foreman CHARLIE SCHREY who had a pretty serious bout with the flu, and Trackworker PATRICK DOOLEY who has been off 26 weeks because of illness... West Shops wishes a speedy recovery to Track Foreman JOE RASPORICH who is ill at home and has been off for two months. We miss your prescence, Joe...Our sincerest condolences to Trackman LOUIS FUCERINO whose wife passed away recently, and to his son, JOE FUCERINO, carpenter foreman. Also condolences to CARLO DISPETTO, trackwalker, whose wife recently passed away.

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

Let's start getting some vacation news in, fellows, as I am waiting to hear your fish tales and travel news...Any Wednesday evening drop in and watch our bowling team at the Classic Bowl in Niles. The team could use some moral support, so let's get out and encourage our fine captain,

THIS PRETTY little Miss is DEBORAH JOY HAASE, the daughter of Archer Station Clerk and Mrs. JAMES HAASE, and the granddaughter of West Section Agent MORA HAASE.

CHRIST PANTOS, so he can move the team along. It's all teamwork. By the way, the time is 7 p.m...Attention all Milwaukee avenue operators. Please stop at Milwaukee and Grand avenues and check Supervisor LYONS' mustache. Yes, Mr. Lyons, it does make you look distinguished... Before we forget, happy birthday CLIFF LAST. I'm not sure if you said 50 or 55. Sorry about that, but the best to you...Leading our fine young supervisors at Jefferson Park terminal is RAY DOWDLER. He is quite a gentleman and has a smile and a word of advice for everyone. There is also a young Irishman, GILLIGAN, who is also doing a fine job, plus DON RIPKA who works like an ace. BILL LANE has been placed in the pool to give his help. All these men handle the area with excellent care...One of our new night clerks is MILLER who has been around for a long time. Welcome to Forest Glen--but don't drop your teeth, please. ..Get well wishes to all the men on the sick list: Supervisor ED "Chappie" CHAPLESKI who has been missed on the terminal board, MATT BOREK, STANLEY SKIBA, KEN JOHNSON, Supervisor MICKEY "Sweet Lips" LOFTUS, FRANK NORTON who has returned looking better than ever, GEORGE WICKMAN whom we all miss loading at the school stop, JIM ROEBER, former Forest Glen Operator C. GUSTAFSON, and GEORGE NEAD...The annual communion breakfast for the Little Flower members was held on Sunday, April 5. There was a good turnout...Division 241's golf tournament will be held on July 13 at St. Andrew's golf course. We are the defending champion with ANDY LEE the station champ, also. So come on out and try to beat pros like WALTER PONDEL, ED LAUBE, FRANK PARTIPILO, AL NEHLS, TOM ROAN, TED GALUS, JOE MOLLO, TOM VALENZIA, JOHN KURINEC, and of course Andy Lee. ..GEORGE DILLAS and BILL LYNAM are ready to stage the next retirement affair when they get the list. Well, fellows, let's get on the ball. I believe we are running behind...Forest Glen received a safety award last month for which we received coffee and rolls from the credit union and CTA. Let's get some more, fellows, so watch your driving. Let's get on top; I know we can do it...Our best wishes to all the men who retired recently: ED "Yogi" KACZMAREK who was a well known figure at the old Logan Square turn-around and could handle it better than any supervisor that was ever placed there, BILL STOEKE, JOHN CLARK, WILL JANNUSCH, PETE HNATIUK, and TOM PETERSON. Due to take their pensions are: WALT WASLICKI, RALPH JOHNSON, and HENRY HAMMER. All you fine fellows will be missed. Good luck to all of you...Operator DONALD MOTTS received a commendable note while on his bus March 6. It stated that he was very polite and kind, whether they were hippies, senior citizens, young, black or white, wishing them all a good day. Now that's the way to operate a bus. It only takes a second to say "thank you", and more good will is made...Being vacation time, if you should need financial aid, stop by your credit union. They are always willing and ready to assist you. Car, home repairs, you name it and the right hand is there to help...We received a letter from STEVE PANTOS, the son of CHRIST PANTOS, who is now taking a rest period in Tokyo, Japan, and taking in Expo 70 in Osaka. We are happy that you are well and hope to see you soon. God bless all our boys who are overseas.

- *W. A. Henry* (Don't call me Wilbur)

GENERAL OFFICE (Employe Relations) -

ROGER TORBIK, job analyst, and his wife became the proud parents of a baby boy named BRIAN DOUGLAS. Congratulations to the happy couple. . . ROSE RITROVATO, clerk-typist, spent a week in Las Vegas, and we hear she lost all her money trying to make some...ED BOLE, assistant superintendent, and his two sons drove to Madison, Wisconsin, to visit his daughter who is working for her masters in Portugese.

(Treasury) -

JANICE STUTE, typist I, left the CTA on March 6 to await a blessed event. MARION MICHAUD transferred from Claim Department to take her place...We are glad to see JOHN NETTE back to work after a short but serious illness. Good to see that smiling face back behind the cage.

(Executive) -

MARIAN WALSH flew to Miami Beach, Florida, for the first time in her life. Flying with her husband; she states she will never go any other way as there is nothing like flying...Get-well wishes are being sent to Consulting Engineer MERRILL KNOX who at the present time is recuperating in the hospital after having surgery.

(Office Services) -

A card was received from Pensioner RAY HYNES, from Largo, Florida, stating he is in the landscaping business on his own land--planting palm trees.

(Reproduction Services) -

SHARON DAUKSHIS left CTA to become Mrs. WILLIAM HAMILTON on April 11. Sharon's sister, MARYANN, transferred from the Medical Department to this department as a clerk-typist.

(Training & Accident Prevention) -

Lost--19 pounds of fat. Finder may keep it. Yes, that is what ART HUBACZ lost in a course of about six weeks. His secret is no bread or cake. Art weighs himself daily on the Medical Department scales and he went from 224 to 205. Keep up the good work, Art. By the way, why don't you try to get JOE O'SULLIVAN to go on a diet. Knocking off a few pounds wouldn't hurt him at all...Master BERNARD J. FORD, the nine-year old son of BERNIE FORD, is a member of the Cub Scouts and has received his Wolf Badge, a Gold Arrow and a Silver Arrow...LEN LOHN, an inveterate pipe smoker, has a collection of more than 50 pipes, some of them valued at more than $50. Len bought

his wife a sewing machine for her birthday, now she is teaching him how to sew. Oh yes, rumor has it that Len is going to be a grandfather for the fourth time. Len is hoping for a boy--the other three are girls...Mrs. JAMES BOURNE is experiencing some of the hardships endured by housewives of pioneer days. The Bournes are remodeling their kitchen and have transferred all of their kitchen activities to the basement...PAT DUNEK surprised the department on St. Patrick's day by bringing in a huge chocolate cake. The cake was soon eaten, which is a good indication of how much it was appreciated.

(Insurance) -

TONI GALIC is sporting a diamond she received from KRIS MISETIC. The date is set for October 31...DOROTHY ETSCHEID, Pension Division, flew to California to attend the wedding of her daughter, DOTTIE, to RON McGARRY on March 21. The couple will reside in San Diego...Welcomed to the department was JEANINE GERARD who transferred from the Accounting Department...As of this writing, ANN GOLDING is recuperating in the hospital after surgery and we wish her well.

(Medical) -

We welcome to the department ARLENE PURALEWSKI who transferred from the Accounting Department...Pensioner AL GLUECKERT, former medical technician, dropped in to say hello. He looks better now and younger, evidently retired life agrees with him.

(Employment) -

RITA BRZECZEK, who recently underwent surgery, is now recuperating at home and we understand is well on the way to recovery.

(Public Information) -

KATHLEEN SZATKOWSKI, the daughter of PETER SZATKOWSKI, Electrical Department RT Line Division, is sporting a pear shaped diamond which she received from ROBERT HARTZ on March 20. They plan to be wed in the fall of 1971...DIANA WOOD left us to await the arrival of a little bundle of joy. The girls took her to lunch at the M&M Club and many baby gifts were given to her by her friends and co-workers. CHRISTINE BORCIC will take over Diana's duties when she leaves. Congratulations and good luck on your new position...KATHLEEN MOSER was welcomed to the department replacing Christine...Your co-reporter, EILEEN NEURAUTER, and her hubby, Operator RUDY NEURAUTER, Forest Glen, had the vacation trip of their life in March. They flew to the Hawaiian Islands for a memorable four-week visit. Their wish is that everyone will have a chance to see our 50th state. The people of these lovely islands do everything possible to make your visit interesting and pleasant. They try to show you their way of life (which isn't all grass skirts, hula dances, and fun). It is clean and neat. When you go to buy clothes or souvenirs, they don't charge big prices for junk. The beautiful items you bring home are in keeping with the memories you will never forget. Murph and Rudy were there on the big island of Hawaii while the volcano was still aflame and erupting. One morning on the island of Hilo (on the opposite side of the Volcano National Park) their beds were shaken by an earthquake. These people simply take this as part of their everyday life and remain calm. They left the islands of Hawaii with the traditional leis of orchids around their necks, stating our way of life may change through the efforts of these islanders; they made us realize that we on the mainland take too much for granted! We think their motto is: "Live and enjoy life, but thank God for his many blessings."..MARY PODALAK was welcomed to the Charter Department as a clerk-typist.

(Research & Planning) -

Lucky BOB SCHAGEMAN has been enjoying his new Ford Torino. Congratulations and take good care of the car, Bob, only 30 more payments to go...JUD LAWRIE is happy to be back in one piece from his ski trip to Wisconsin...Our co-op trainee, MIKE BAKER, who is working toward his BS degree in Industrial Engineering, will be leaving us soon to return to Northwestern university. We wish him well and hope he returns soon as a permanent member of CTA...Best wishes to LOIS POTTS who transferred to the Claim Department. We miss you "Irish power."..Congratulations to HERMAN ANDERS who will soon be our new senior transit analyst following the retirement of CHARLES LAPP in June...Welcome to three new RP staff members: CHARLES DROZDA, DIANE GRAZIANO, and JOHN STEINMETZ...Our get well wishes are extended to HERMAN JAMES who retired from the Department in December, 1969.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

KEDZIE -

Congratulations to the men on the Kedzie Station basketball team who won the Division 241 basketball tournament which was held at the Washington Park fieldhouse...We wish the best to all the operators who left Kedzie on the system pick, and we welcome the operators who came from the other depots. We hope you will like your new surroundings...Superintendent HARRINGTON and Superintendent DAUBS would like to stress extra driving care now that the spring weather is with us. Children will be playing and riding their bicycles in the streets and running out from between parked cars, so alert driving is a must...Former Operator J. GILIO is very happy with his new job as a street collector...Janitor PETE NAUGHTON broke his

CELEBRATING THEIR 50th wedding anniversary on March 17 were Pensioner and Mrs. LOUIS C. HOFFMAN, who were feted at a dinner party on March 21. Louis was a bus operator out of North Park Station until his retirement in 1953.

ankle. I hope by the time this issue is out you will be back on the job...I called Pensioner "Duffy" TOMS and he said he is feeling alright but doesn't get out too much. He says to tell everyone hello at Kedzie. I also called Pensioner DAVE CLARK who got me some tickets for the Shrine Circus. He says he is fine and to say hello to all at Kedzie, also...I had retired Lawndale Station Superintendent CLINT SAUNDERS on my bus and he sure looks good. He said he was enjoying himself and to make sure and say hello to all at Kedzie...I heard from Pensioner JOSEPH SACHECK when he closed his account at the Kedzie credit union. It was good hearing from you, Joe, and I hope you are feeling better by the time you read this issue...Our deepest sympathy to the following and their families in their great loss: WARREN SCHOLL, president and business agent of Division 241, on the loss of his father, HERMAN SCHOLL, who was laid to rest on March 19; Loop District Supervisor PETERSON on the death of his father, ARNOLD R. PETERSON, who was buried on March 19; Operator R. BRUCE on the loss of his son, ROBERT Jr., who was laid to rest on February 11; Clerk JERRY BLAKE on the loss of his father who was a former operator and board member, and was buried on February 4 in Michigan City, Indiana, and Operator R. HARMON on the loss of his mother, Mrs. HARMON, in Yazoo City, Mississippi...Street Collector BREAST is on the sick list at this writing. Here's hoping you will be well soon and back on the job. Also on the sick list is Operator A. DOMINICK. All you need is some good old-fashioned Italian wine and you will get rid of the old flu bug...Our deepest sympathy to D. D'ANDREA on the loss of his brother, N. D'ANDREA, who was interred on March 11 at Queen of Heaven cemetery.

- Raymond Graham

LAWNDALE -

We express our sorrow and deepest sympathy to the families of WILLIAM LISIECKI and Pensioner JOHN JERMAN who passed away recently...THOMAS HOUSTON is still in the hospital, but is convalescing nicely since his operation. We hope to see you back soon...EARL WASHINGTON and Janitor EDDIE KAWCZYSKI just returned from their vacations. Upon returning Eddie said that he was glad to be back because he was tired of doing nothing. Earl had the usual comment--it just wasn't long enough... We welcome Chief Clerk RUSS GUNDERSON and Clerk EARL McLAUGHLIN, both formerly of North Avenue...We received a card from Operator BILL HALLA and his wife, GLADYS, who are surfing on the waves of Hawaii. They also ran into Operator F. W. NEXBOUER who is also vacationing there...Happy birthday greetings are extended to the following operators: W. HUDSON, J. LUSCALZO, A. IRVING, C. PENDLETON, A. CALABRESE, W. CONNIE, W. WILLIAMS, W. ROBINSON, S. WALKER, W. KALKA, N. SWOPE, J. BOKER, K. WILLIAMS, J. VIOLLT, C. KACZOROWSKI, Q. JAMES, J. RIHA, S. HYERCZYK, S. ADAMS, M. COLQUITT, L. GATSON, A. ANDERSON, and S. DAIGLE...We would like to say farewell to those men who transferred to other stations on the system, and good luck.

- James Marshall

LIMITS -

The system pick went into effect March 29. To all of the men who came to Limits we bid welcome and to the men who picked other stations we wish you the best of luck. ..Supervisor-Instructor JAMES BROGAN and his dear wife, EVELYN, celebrated their 31st year of wedded bliss recently. Congratulations to this fine couple...RUTH DeWITT, the wife of Superintendent M. DeWITT, was godmother at the christening of their grandchild, LANCE NELSON, during the month of February...MICHAEL, the son of Operator VICTOR PRIOLO, was married to a pretty miss by the name of DEBBIE on February 14. The wedding took place in Lisle, Illinois. Congratulations and best wishes to the happy couple...Operator CLARENCE LIND had an enjoyable winter vacation down in sunny St. Petersburg, Florida, during the month of March. His beautiful coat of tan left no doubts as to where he had been...Coffee and rolls were served the second time this year on Wednesday, March 25; the other time being during January. A plaque was presented to Limits station for public safety performance and commendations. Keep up the good work, men...We not only have an excellent group of men as operators, but also a fine group of men as basketball players. This was proven when we beat the tough North Park team last month. Congratulations! . . Operator COLUCCI was confined for some time in the hospital where he underwent surgery. He is now well on the road to recovery and should be on the active list soon...We owe our thanks to RENE E. BIARD, better known as "Frenchie," in seeing that the buses are kept clean. He personally inspects each wash job and so far there have been no complaints...The salt crews at Limits station did an excellent job of salting down the streets during each snowfall. Operators LE DREE and DAQUALANTE, who head the salt crews, are to be highly commended...Our sincerest sympathy to the family of Supervisor EDWARD HOPPS, who passed away last month; also to Supervisor M. LOFTUS in the death of his brother, JOHN; to EDWARD NOWICKI in the loss of his dear wife, and to DANIEL O'LEARY in the loss of his dear mother, Mrs. VERNA RAMMEL.

- R. S. Benson

THIS HAPPY bride and groom are Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES M. DAVIS who were united in holy matrimony on September 6, 1969, at St. Cajetan church. Charles is employed in CTA's General Accounting Department, while his bride, the former, NANCY MIKALTIS, is a secretary for United States Steel corporation.

LOOP -

On the sick list at this writing are Agents B. HAYES, J. MATUZEWSKI, E. HASBROOK, L. NELSON, F. SLATER, J. KAIN, K. SMITH, and V. TOTCKE, Janitor W. RIELLY, Assignment Agent R. MALONEY, and Trainman L. FORD. Hope you all are feeling much better or are back in the

F. J. TURPIN
41 Years

G. A. GUENDLING
43 Years

M. J. LYONS
44 Years

M. G. TOMETICH
45 Years

W. P. YOCIUS
46 Years

C. DISPETTO
40 Years

R. W. PARK
43 Years

WITH COMBINED service totalling 301 years, the seven employes pictured here retired during March and April with 40 or more years of service each. Starting with the CSL and CRT, their occupations were as dissimilar when they were hired as when they retired. Upon retirement, two were bus operators (R. Park and F. Turpin), and the other five were a trackman (D. Dispetta), a motorman (G. Guendling), a ticket agent (M. Lyons), a machinist (M. Tametich), and a cable foreman (W. Yacius).

NEW PENSIONERS

HAROLD T. BELL, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 8-17-36
EMIL G. BUELOW, Foreman,
South Shops, Emp. 2-13-46
PHARAOH CAIN, Conductor,
South Section, Emp. 7-20-45
PATRICK J. CLARKE, Painter,
Building, Emp. 10-17-47
JOSEPH P. DALY, Conductor,
North Section, Emp. 8-9-44
LEONARD P. DEL VICARIO, Garage Clerk,
Archer, Emp. 11-8-41
CARLO DISPETTO, Trackman,
Track, Emp. 8-22-29
MOSES GILES, Conductor,
South Section, Emp. 2-5-45
MARTIN F. GRIFFIN, Bus Repairer,
69th Street, Emp. 8-19-42
GEORGE A. GUENDLING, Motorman,
North Section, Emp. 6-8-26
JOSEPH J. HEMZACEK, Supt. of Surface Oper.,
Transportation, Emp. 11-7-33
WILLIAM M. HILL, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 2-4-36
JAMES J. HOPKINS, Assistant Foreman,
Beverly, Emp. 6-1-26
WILLIAM HUNNIFORD, Conductor,
South Section, Emp. 5-5-43
CHARLES KETUROSKEY, Bus Repairer,
North Park, Emp. 4-3-47
VINCENT KONSTANTYNOWICZ, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 8-12-43
VALENTINE F. KREISEL, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 12-28-42
FRANCIS J. KXIAZEK, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 9-23-52
SALVATORE B. LERCARA, Laborer,
Building, Emp. 7-22-36
FRANCIS J. LITTAU, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 12-14-40
MARY J. LYONS, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 10-22-25
SARAH A. MAGEE, Pre-Punch Operator,
South Shops, Emp. 3-16-43
ANTHONY D. McHUGH, Platform Man,
West Section, Emp. 11-21-41
JULIUS P. MERSCH, Bus Repairer,
North Park, Emp. 9-20-41
CECELIA MORAN, Ticket Agent,
South Section, Emp. 8-10-43
JOSEPH B. MORRISON, Car Serviceman,
Kimball, Emp. 10-20-47
PATRICK J. O'CONNOR, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 11-3-30
REGINALD W. PARK, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 2-22-27
CHARLES C. POLD, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 1-7-47
JOSEPH A. PORCELIUS, Bus Repairer,
Kedzie, Emp. 7-3-37
THEODORE S. RAY, Operator,
52nd Street, Emp. 2-14-45
EDWARD A. ROBERTS, Wireman "A",
South Shops, Emp. 9-1-19
ABRAHAM SIMMONS, Janitor,
West Section, Emp. 10-11-43
NAPOLEON SMITH, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 11-30-43

RAYMOND J. STRAWKAS, Motorman, West Section, Emp. 11-8-43
MARION G. TOMETICH, Machinist, Plant Equip. Maint., Emp. 6-16-24
FRANCIS J. TURPIN, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 2-22-29
JOSEPH J. VARGO, Towerman, West Section, Emp. 5-10-30
MICHEL A. VIRGILIO, Plumber, Building, Emp. 7-17-35
WALTER P. YOCIUS, Cable Foreman, Electrical, Emp. 8-15-23
LEO J. ZIELINSKI, Car Serviceman, Wilson, Emp. 6-2-41

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

ANITA M. BANNISTER, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 5-28-37
GLENN J. DONNELLY, Ticket Agent, North Section, Emp. 3-1-29
JOHN W. FITZPATRICK, Operator, Keeler, Emp. 11-15-43
LEON P. GOODIN, Janitor, Keeler, Emp. 8-7-41
FRANCIS J. HAGINS, Traffic Checker, Schedule-Traffic, Emp. 8-25-36
WILLIAM C. HAUNROTH, Operator-Collector, Archer, Emp. 4-21-43
BERNADETTE D. HAYES, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 12-15-38
JESSE E. JAHNZ, Bus Repairer, 77th Street, Emp. 12-30-42
RUSSELL T. ODDO, Doorman, North Avenue, Emp. 5-17-48
GEORGE G. NEAD, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 4-16-34
GLEN F. RENTFROW, Collector, Archer, Emp. 8-25-42
WILLIE P. RIELLY, Janitor, West Section, Emp. 2-11-51

BEING CONGRATULATED by General Manager **T. B. O'CONNOR** upon her retirement March 1 is **SARAH MAGEE**, who is now enjoying a life of leisure with her husband, **BILL**. Mrs. Magee had been an employe of the Surface Lines and CTA for 26 years. Bill had 41 years' service when he retired as Beverly Garage day foreman in February, 1969.

swing of things by now...We received news that Student Agent JOHN SAMIAN went to Missouri, February 18 to 22, to attend a model United Nations conference representing the University of Chicago. The university gave him a 1970 Cadillac to ride around in while there. John stayed at the Sheraton hotel, and in the morning he had breakfast brought to his room which was furnished with color TV. In the evening, he wanted to live it up, but in Missouri they roll up the streets at 7:30 p.m. (or did they). John has been on the honor roll at school for the last three semesters. Last year he represented University of Chicago in Wisconsin. Good luck, John, and we hope you make it again next year... Sorry to hear that Janitor EVANS left the Loop and went to the Lake Street line. The Loop sure lost a good worker when he left. The agents on Lake are hoping that Evans will stay with them just as long or longer than he did downtown. On the P.M., the stations are always so clean and everything is done on time. Escalators are changed for the rush hours, stations swept, and the stairs are always clean. All the agents send their thanks and appreciation for your good work...On February 17 it was a lovely day when Janitor J. BARRETT said, "Spring is just around the corner." Which one? Well, John was cleaning windows at the Harlem station and making everything look bright, when what happened? Then came the snow...It seems that some folks get all the vacations. Agent W. STROSSER and his wife went on a vacation to Las Vegas, April 12, for two weeks. Wilbur took a walk over to Wards and bought several extra large shopping bags so he could bring home all the silver coins he could find or could win from the slot machines. Hope you have good luck, folks...It was only a short time ago we were saying so long and good luck to Agent MARY JO OHNESORGE who changed from the West Section to the North Section. We find now that we are welcoming her back to the West Section. Sorry you weren't too happy with your change. I for one will say welcome back--we did miss you...Birthdays come and go so fast that one just can't keep up with them. Who wants to anyway. Belated birthday wishes to Agents DOROTHY FORD, February 18; JOHN FILIPEK, February 26; JULIE MATTRAN, March 20, and Janitor EVANS, March 22. Also on February 13, Dorothy and her husband, LEO, celebrated their wedding anniversary. She also celebrated her 17th year with CTA and guess what--it just dawned on her that she now gets four weeks of vacation. I'm surprised at you, Dorothy. Have fun...Last year about this time Agent JULIE MATTRAN was so happy and had such a bright sparkle in her eyes upon the arrival of her first grandchild. She now has that same sparkle and we don't know why. Let us in on this, Julie. What's what?..Pensioner ISAAC CHRISTMAS just finished his first year of retirement and he sure looks good and seems quite happy. So is Mrs. Christmas. Isaac is getting out his blue prints and planning his rose garden for the summer. Lots of luck, Isaac...On St. Patrick's day I received a lovely letter and card from Retired Agent MARGIE WHITE who is now living in Ireland. She is really enjoying her retirement and says hello to all...Agent MARY WIXTED looks so cute in her booth at Belmont station on the Kennedy line. Several of us are wondering if you have lights up there--something like one if by land and two if by train. I'm sure it isn't Paul Revere you are looking for. Who is it?..Welcome to our new agent, CATHERINE ROBINSON. She is doing very well and will make a good agent as she keeps that line really going...A cheerful get well to Trainman G. CLARK who suffered a heart attack while at work. All the boys at the Harlem carhouse wish you a speedy recovery...When the agent's picking sheets came

out, Agent MARY LYONS was not on the list. No, Mary isn't sick--she took her pension on April 1. Good luck, good health, and may you have many years of happy retirement...Let's put out the flags and welcome Agent G. YARDLEY back to the Loop after her long stay on the Lake line. What's this world coming to, anyhow...Now that vacation time is here and everyone is anxious to get going here and there to relax and have a good time, make sure you drive carefully and take it easy, for we want you all back at work for a long time...Oh boy, let's hope that Collector T. RAPP's stay in the hospital doesn't change his mind about his future. Tom had surgery on March 27, and boy are those nurses cute. When he wakes up and sees one of them holding his hand he may go back to sleep or have a nervous breakdown. I can say his face will be red and I do mean red. Let's hear how you made out, Tom.

- Mildred Doyle

NORTH AVENUE -

JAMES PARSON, the son of Operator EINAR PARSON, was married to PATRICIA BROUDE of Addison, Illinois, on January 24. Einar's son, ROBERT PARSON, and his wife are the proud parents of a baby girl born January 10. Congratulations to all...We received a letter from Pensioner BILL ECHOLS who is well and enjoying life at Hot Springs. A letter from LARS "Ernest" PEARSON and his wife, ANNA, reports that they are in good health and enjoying fishing, mostly for trout...I had a nice chat with Pensioner ART MOILANEN and his wife, BETTY, when they spent a few days in Chicago. They attended a party in honor of their grandson, JAMES OSBORN, who is on his way to Viet Nam. May God be with him...Repairman MICHAEL CHUPICK and his wife, MILDRED, became grandparents again on February 2. The new arrival is named DAVID HARTER. ..Pensioner WILLIAM RADWELL dropped in at the depot for a visit. He is now living at Pell Lake, Wisconsin...Operator HERB RICHMOND is on the sick list, confined to St. Elizabeth's hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery... Pensioner JERRY BLAKE Sr. passed away February 1. Jerry was a former Board Member from North Avenue. Clerk BOB STACK lost his father, OTTO, February 10. Otto was a pensioner from the General Office...Our best wishes to recent Pensioners HENRY KUPCZYK, FRED WEDER, and WALTER KRUEGER.

- William Miedema

DEPICTING FOUR generations, Electrical Foreman **JOSEPH DECKER**, Skokie Shops, is pictured here with his daughter, **JEAN ALLEN**, his great-granddaughter, **JENNIFER PIERCE**, and his granddaughter, **LINDA PIERCE**.

NORTH PARK -

Remember the date—Monday, July 13. The event is the annual Division 241 Golf Day at St. Andrews Golf Club. Golf, dinner, and prizes for all are on the agenda. So, make your reservations now for this big day...Superintendents R. W. KEAG, J. MORRIS, and V. JOHNSON, along with the instruction force, thank the operators and garage personnel for their part in setting a new all-time low accident record in 1969. Coffee and rolls were supplied by the company for the event. Coffee with rolls supplied by North Park Credit Union were the reward for beating par for the months of January and February. Coffee was again served at North Park for the month of January when a new par was set for lowering complaints and raising commendations. Keep this good work up, fellows, and let's have more coffee and rolls...KEN PAOLI, the son of Operator GINO PAOLI, had the honor of writing the music score for the adult fairy tale, held at the Jack and Jill Playhouse, and presented on February 27 and 28 and March 6, 7, 13, and 14...Pensioner FRED WIERIG was a recent visitor at North Park, where he and Superintendent JACK MORRIS renewed tales of bygone days. Fred's address is 1576 Jefferson avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota 55105. He would enjoy hearing from or seeing his many Chicago friends...JOHN SYVERSON, the stepson of North Park Operator RONALD HODGES, has returned home from Viet Nam, where he served a year's tour of duty. John, who will have a 35-day furlough, will be stationed at Chanute field located at Rantoul, Illinois, upon his return to duty...Operator LES BATES, who is serving as president of the Southern Illinois Reunion Council, was honored along with the past presidents at a banquet held Sunday, March 29, at Vinzants Banquet hall, for their part in the many fund raising events held by the council...Operator HAROLD JULITZ and his wife, ANN, spent a day visiting Pensioner GEORGE HOFFMAN and his wife, ELLY. Harold reports that George's health is much improved and that George is able to do his many chores again...DEBORAH FRIEB, daughter of Operator WILLARD FRIEB, made the Dean's List at DePaul university for the third consecutive year. Deborah, who is majoring in marketing administration, is a member of Alpha Laud Da Delta sorority, and also is a winner of a Division 241 scholarship...KAREN PAOLI, the daughter of Operator GINO PAOLI, was one of six students at Kelvyn Park High school who achieved straight A's for the first semester of school...Crossing Guard CARL WILLKENHONNER, who takes care of the school children at Lincoln avenue and Brown street in Skokie, is hospitalized at this writing and the Skokie bus operators are offering their prayers for a complete recovery for Carl...Painters PAUL VERGES, RICH NELSON, and RICH KRUEGER did their usual fine job of decorating the depot, and are to be commended on their artistry...Operator LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRACE, vacationed throughout the Southwest and West. Points of interest visited were Hoover Dam, Las Vegas, and Disneyland. They had a bad experience in El Paso, Texas, where their car was broken into and all their clothes were stolen...Operator HAROLD ANDERSCHAT spent his annual winter vaca-

tion relaxing and taking life easy and sitting by the radiator during the zero weather...Pensioner RAY KENALEY was a winner of an A.M.F. bicycle in a recent drawing sponsored by the Rite Way Discount System...Pensioner ROY PEDERSEN and his wife, BERNICE, were visitors to Chicago. Roy reports that he bagged a large buck deer five miles from his home and also that the ice fishing is great at Decatur, Michigan...Operator FRED ANHALT and his wife, ANN, became grandparents for the fourth time when their son, BOB, and his wife, LUCY, became parents of a son named WILLIAM JAMES, born January 24 at St. Elizabeth's hospital weighing 7 pounds 10 ounces...Street Collector AL BEROTT and his wife, DOROTHY, became grandparents for the second time, and Pensioner ART MUIR and his wife, RUTH, became great-grandparents for the second time, when Al's son, LEE, and Art's granddaughter, SHARON, became parents of a daughter named TONI MARIA, born on January 13 weighing 6½ pounds at Swedish Covenant hospital...Operator ANDY HOLZMAN and his wife, MARY, became grandparents for the seventh time when their son, RICHARD, and daughter-in-law, BARBARA, became parents of a son named DAVID MATTHEW, born January 8 at New Berlin hospital in Wisconsin weighing 7 pounds 6 ounces... Operator KIRKLAND and his wife, JACQUELINE, adopted a daughter named CANDICE from the Illinois Childrens Home and Aid society. Candice was three months old, and the Kirklands are on cloud nine, with the little one brightening up the homestead...Operator MIKE PARK retired on March 1 after 43 years of service. Mike's future plans call for a lot of time to spend on golfing and fishing...Pensioner RICHARD McAULIFFE was a recent visitor at North Park and would like to express his thanks for the many cards and prayers that he received during his recent illness... Operator WARREN REED was married on Saturday, February 7, to STEPHANIE STANIK at Jehova Lutheran church. The reception was held at the Millionaire's club on North Broadway avenue. The Reeds honeymooned in New Orleans where they enjoyed the Mardi Gras...PATRICIA JOHNSON, daughter of Superintendent VICTOR JOHNSON, and his wife, RUTH, was married on January 31 to FRED MATTHEWS at the Union church of Hinsdale, Illinois. The reception was held at Allegretti's Crisdon manor in Elmwood Park and was attended by 125 guests. The young couple honeymooned in New Orleans where they enjoyed the Mardi Gras.

Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Operator KESSLER POLK Jr. and his wife, CHARLOTTE, their sixth, February 8; Pensioner WILLIAM KLEPITCH and his wife, IRENE, their 41st, February 14; Operator DON BENNETT and his wife, MARIE, their 22nd, March 2; Pensioner HARVEY GEHMAN and his wife, INGEBORG, their 36th, March 21; Operator TOM DE CANTILLION and his wife, MARY, their 23rd, March 4; Superintendent VICTOR JOHNSON and his wife, RUTH, their 30th on March 5; Pensioner AL PARADISE and his wife, FAYE, their 7th, March 2; Operator SEYMOUR STEINBERG and his wife, DOROTHY, their 33rd, March 14; Supervisor LARRY COSTLEY and his wife, MARY, their 24th, March 9; Operator IRVING MOSKOVITZ and his wife, ANN, their 40th, March 21; Operator GEORGE TORSON and his wife, JUNE, their 17th, March 28, and Operator DON McKINNEY and his wife, BARBARA, their 16th, February 27...Happy Birthdays are extended to the following: BONNIE NEWMAN, STEVEN and CYNTHIA BUDZISZ, DANNY and LAURA KURCZEWSKI, HEIDI PESTINE, Operator WALTER ZUIKOVICH, SAL MUSCARELLO, GEORGE TORSON, ARMAND DELGADILLO, CHESTER DAMIAN, LOUIS SCHWARTZ,

PICTURED HERE are NICK and KATHERINE HARTMAN, the parents of Operator JOHN HARTMAN, North Avenue, and the grandparents of Bus Repairer RICHARD HARTMAN, Keeler garage, with their great-granddaughter, DEBRA, the daughter of Richard. Mr. and Mrs. Hartman will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary on October 10, 1970.

and GARY NOONAN, Receivers ED STENZEL and BILL CERKEN, Clerk RAY MILANOVICH...Our deepest sympathy and condolences are extended to families of Operator THOMAS PARAVOLA, Street Collector IRVING ECKERT, and Supervisor BILL KEARNS on the loss of his beloved sister, Mrs. RUTH BOR...Pensioner FRANK LITTAU and his wife, ANN, vacationed at Arcadia, California, where Frank's daughter, Mrs. KATHY BELL, resides. Frank and Ann drove a 1970 Cadillac and hope to own one soon. Visits to Knott's Berry Farm and Disneyland were among the highlights of the trip...Pensioner JOE KARASEK jetted to San Francisco, California, to visit his son, Dr. MARVIN KARASEK, who resides in Palo Alto, California. Joe reports that the meals and go-go girls were the greatest... Operator LEN BAEUCHLER spent his annual vacation at Phoenix, Arizona, where his brother, EDWARD, resides. Len reports considerable time was spent on the golf courses and at the dog tracks. Len enjoyed his visit with Pensioner JOHN "Jake" JACOBY who lives in Scottsdale, where Len and Jake took in a couple of Cub ball games... Operator JOHN COSGROVE and his wife, HELEN, vacationed at Carroll, Iowa, where the Cosgroves visited with MILFORD COLLISON. The Cosgroves were impressed with the cattle operation conducted by Mr. Collison...Operator HANK SCHRAMM and his wife, ELIZABETH, spent a week's vacation at Crown Point, Indiana, visiting with Hank's cousin, JOSEPH SCHRAMM. . . MURIEL KNIGHT, daughter of Operator BILL and ELKENA KNIGHT, was married on February 14 to LOUIS BALDWIN. The reception was held at the Knight's home...DEBRA SAUER, daughter of Operator CHARLES SAUER and a sophomore at Roosevelt High school, was awarded an excellent rating for her biology project at a recent District One Science Fair conducted by the Chicago Public Schools...MARION LEMKE, wife of Operator ROY LEMKE, was awarded a silver sports of field pin and certificate for her catch of the year, a 5 pound 2 ounce spotted bass, caught at Lake Norfolk, Arkansas...JOHN SPRINGER, son of Operator EDWARD SPRINGER, won a $25 savings bond for obtaining the most new subscribers for the month of January, by the circulation manager of the Des Plaines Suburban Times...The Division Street Reunion and Old Timers Night was held Saturday, February 28, at Eagles Hall on North Western avenue. The music and dancing was approved by all attending...Need cash for that vacation? See JOHN, TONY, or DALE at the credit union office and they will be happy to provide you and yours with ready cash...Happy anniversaries are extended to Operator PETER DOLAN and his wife, ROSALEEN, their 13th; Operator JACK KOVITZ and his wife, SHIRLEY, their 39th; Operator JAMES PATRICK and his

recent deaths

PETER ABBRUSCATO, 79, Track,
Emp. 4-1-25, Died 2-22-70
ANTHONY W. ANDERSON, 69, Utility,
Emp. 1-15-18, Died 1-4-70
ARTHUR Y. ANGEL, 77, Electrical,
Emp. 9-17-21, Died 2-2-70
JEREMIAH J. BLAKE, 65, North Avenue,
Emp. 9-27-26, Died 2-1-70
O'DELL BLAKE, 46, Archer,
Emp. 1-15-52, Died 3-6-70
JOHN L. BOESEN, 78, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 4-23-16, Died 1-4-70
JOSEPH F. BRADY, 67, Beverly,
Emp. 7-22-27, Died 1-9-70
THOMAS BRENNAN, 83, 69th Street,
Emp. 6-12-13, Died 2-13-70
EDWARD CIECKO, 57, Keeler,
Emp. 8-17-37, Died 2-25-70
NORA COUGHLIN, 85, West Section,
Emp. 12-11-19, Died 1-13-70
STEVE CUCULICH, 63, Archer,
Emp. 5-16-34, Died 3-13-70
DAVID G. DAVIES, 72, West Shops,
Emp. 10-30-28, Died 2-6-70
JOHN J. DONNELLY, 75, 77th Street,
Emp. 12-23-19, Died 2-17-70
IRWIN ECKERT, 63, North Park,
Emp. 8-19-37, Died 2-9-70
GEORGE W. EDMONDSON, 75, North Section,
Emp. 9-6-28, Died 1-18-70
ELVIN EGER, 60, Archer,
Emp. 1-12-34, Died 1-13-70
WILLIAM ENDEAN, 62, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 4-16-47, Died 2-16-70
JOSEPH E. FIALA, 74, 69th Street,
Emp. 1-8-21, Died 2-8-70
JOHN H. FRANZ, 74, District A,
Emp. 2-23-14, Died 2-10-70
MICHAEL F. GALLAGHER, 76, North Avenue,
Emp. 6-8-26, Died 1-27-70
FRED J. W. GOEDTKE, 74, West Section,
Emp. 10-11-43, Died 2-18-70
JOHN C. GORSKI, 83, Elston,
Emp. 3-30-09, Died 2-7-70
ANDREW GRENDA, 85, Way & Struct.,
Emp. 5-16-22, Died 2-5-70
EDWARD HAPPS, 58, Central District,
Emp. 7-14-37, Died 2-20-70
LEROY A. HARPER, 71, 69th Street,
Emp. 2-26-23, Died 2-2-70
HENRY B. HASMAN, 66, Forest Glen,
Emp. 9-20-43, Died 2-24-70
MADELINE HAYES, 69, West Section,
Emp. 6-15-27, Died 2-15-70
RAYMOND HOEVEL, 67, South Shops,
Emp. 1-23-29, Died 1-18-70
JOHN JERMAN, 73, Lawndale,
Emp. 9-26-25, Died 2-9-70
HARRY J. KALISH, 68, Forest Glen,
Emp. 6-21-23, Died 1-21-70
JOSEPH KOLMAN, 65, 61st Street,
Emp. 11-23-42, Died 1-31-70
JOHN A. KOSTANICK, 79, Kedzie,
Emp. 11-29-16, Died 2-14-70
IRMA M. KROWN, 74, Accounting,
Emp. 5-19-42, Died 1-22-70
NICHOLAS LAGGES, 84, 69th Street,
Emp. 2-20-20, Died 1-13-70

wife, ROSE MARIE, their 19th; Operator CLARENCE VAN MIDDLESWORTH and his wife, SHARON, their 5th; Operator IRVING SHER and his wife, MILDRED, their 35th; Operator THOMAS WILSON and his wife, BONNIE, their 12th; Pensioner ALBERT NAGELE and his wife, ANNA, their 34th; Operator HAROLD JULITZ and his wife, ANN, their 36th; Operator P. J. SMITH and his wife, MADELYN, their 17th, and Operator ADOLPH JENDRYCZKI and his wife, JEAN, their 32nd...Happy birthdays are extended to the following: Operators LOUIS SCHWARTZ, LEROY CONKLIN, JOHN MEDINA, HAROLD JULITZ, and ADOLPH JENDRYCZKI; AGNES ERICKSON, TOM KURCZEWSKI, MATTHEW DOLAN, and MARY KIRKWOOD...Mrs. DOROTHY MORRIS, the wife of Superintendent JACK MORRIS, is hospitalized at Ravenswood hospital at this writing and our prayers are with Dorothy for a complete recovery...Clerk JOE DI GIOVANNI was hospitalized for a hernia operation, and we at North Park are looking forward to seeing Joe back soon. Receiver AL REMACK retired on April 30 after 50 plus years of service. Al and his wife, DOROTHY, plan to pursue their hobby of traveling in the future. We at North Park wish Al and Dorothy God's blessings, and many years of happiness in their retirement years ahead...Our sympathy and condolences to the Happs family on the loss of their father and husband, Supervisor EDWARD HAPPS; to the Loftus family on the loss of JOHN LOFTUS, and to Operator DON HEANEY on the loss of his mother Mrs. HEANEY...Repairman JULIUS MERSCH retired March 1. Julius was honored by a surprise birthday and retirement party held at the Skokie home of his son, ROBERT, and daughter-in-law, MARY. A large number of relatives and members of the garage attended and Julius was presented with many gifts and a savings bond from the gang. I take this opportunity to thank Julius for his many contributions to the Transit News, and wish him and his wife, AGNES, many years of happiness ahead. . . Repairman CHARLES KETUROSKEY retired March 1 after 23 years of service. Charlie was presented with a savings bond and the gang at the garage wishes him many days of leisure living in the future...Repairman DAN PRISBLE extends a welcome to the gang of the garage to visit his beautiful summer home at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, where the fishing and swimming are excellent...Foreman CHARLIE DUNNE, along with Repairman BOB VANDEMEIR, FRANK SIBLEY, and FRANK CIONE all enjoyed vacation periods in February and March...Our congratulations are extended to Repairman FRANK SCHENDL and WILLIAM MORRIS who became married men recently...The gang at North Park extends congratulations to JOHN JOYCE on his promotion to day foreman at Forest Glen Depot...Clerk LOUIS TIGNAC and

among employes

RUDOLPH LETSCH, 78, 77th Street,
Emp. 8-23-23, Died 1-12-70
WILLIAM LISIECKI, 54, Lawndale,
Emp. 1-23-43, Died 2-9-70
PATRICK J. MADIGAN, 85, 77th Street,
Emp. 8-21-18, Died 1-22-70
JAMES J. MALLEY, 66, West Section,
Emp. 6-2-44, Died 1-29-70
WILLIAM J. MARKIN, 72, Claim,
Emp. 10-2-44, Died 1-12-70
JOHN R. McANDREW, 74, Devon,
Emp. 2-20-43, Died 2-22-70
MICHAEL J. McDONNELL, 74, West Section,
Emp. 9-5-23, Died 10-20-69
JOSEPH A. McGLYNN, 68, Electrical,
Emp. 8-31-36, Died 1-13-70
IRA MITCHELL, 46, North Section,
Emp. 10-24-55, Died 2-8-70
NICKOLAS C. MUELLER, 64, North Park,
Emp. 2-21-29, Died 12-30-69
WILLIAM F. MULCAHY, 62, Archer,
Emp. 11-23-28, Died 1-28-70
PATRICK J. MURRAY, 93, 69th Street,
Emp. 8-12-11, Died 1-19-70
LILLIAN M. OESTERREICH, 72, Accounting,
Emp. 10-30-28, Died 1-26-70
CLINTON T. RICHARDSON, 78, West Shops,
Emp. 8-12-29, Died 2-5-70
GIUSEPPE RIVI, 87, Track,
Emp. 4-16-26, Died 2-15-70
ROY G. ROGERS, 80, Electrical,
Emp. 7-15-07, Died 2-1-70
CHARLES B. RUANE, 70, North Avenue,
Emp. 5-13-24, Died 1-31-70
JOSEPH RYAN, 76, Devon,
Emp. 2-16-23, Died 2-7-70
ROY SCHARFENORTH, 62, North Avenue,
Emp. 12-3-40, Died 1-8-70
EMIL C. SCHULTZ, 75, West Shops,
Emp. 3-28-45, Died 2-5-70
JACOB E. SHERIDAN, 84, 69th Street,
Emp. 8-6-10, Died 1-28-70
ALBERT E. SIERS, 75, West Shops,
Emp. 3-1-21, Died 2-17-70
OTTO F. STACH, 84, Accounting,
Emp. 6-26-22, Died 2-10-70
CARLIS STINNETT, 64, North Section,
Emp. 1-29-51, Died 3-8-70
FRANK J. STOLL, 76, Shops & Equipment,
Emp. 2-10-21, Died 2-7-70
RICHARD J. SULLIVAN, 84, Kedzie,
Emp. 6-30-21, Died 1-22-70
FRANK B. THOMPSON, 61, Travel Information,
Emp. 4-29-43, Died 1-25-70
HUGH R. TURNEY, 76, South Section,
Emp. 11-24-22, Died 12-26-69
EDWARD L. TAYLOR, 68, Keeler,
Emp. 5-21-29, Died 2-25-70
JAMES M. WALSH, 74, Archer,
Emp. 9-8-25, Died 2-3-70
EDWARD A. WEGNER, 84, West Section,
Emp. 3-8-22, Died 2-10-70
ARTHUR H. WILLERT, 79, West Section,
Emp. 5-31-16, Died 1-31-70
STANLEY WROBEL, 76, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 6-3-36, Died 2-9-70
JOHN ZIGANTO, 64, South Division,
Emp. 3-5-24, Died 2-15-70

Mrs. TIGNAC had a dream vacation. The Tignacs flew to California to visit their children, then to Hawaii, Hong Kong, and on to Expo '70 in Osaka, Japan.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

Your scribe wishes to thank everyone for their many contributions to this column over the past three years. I have now transferred to the West Section and my new location is Addison station on the Kennedy...SHARON and KAREN ATHENS were home for Easter vacation from Oklahoma university...ORLANDO J. MENICUCCI is now home from the hospital after undergoing minor surgery. He is also one of the soloists in the Lake Shore Men's chorus...Congratulations to ART RABEN on his promotion to supervising instructor. Art has finally returned after being off for seven months from a fall...Congratulations to Line Supervisor JIM ROBERTS who was promoted to relief station superintendent on the West Section...Agents BETTY CONN, MINNA KING, ANNABELLE DREW, and ROSE O'CONNELL are all back to work...NICK CLESEN was a grandpa again when his son and his wife had a baby boy, RONALD JOHN, on March 6 weighing 8 pounds 7 ounces...

Mr. and Mrs. MICHAEL STULGATE had a baby girl on February 24 weighing 8 pounds and measuring 19 inches long. She will answer to the name of MICHELE RENEE...It sounds like a recruit for a little league team when Mr. and Mrs. JOHN ZUPKO had a baby boy, DAVID PAUL, on March 26 weighing 7 pounds 13 ounces...Former Agent DAVID WANDEL is now working for American Photocopy Equipment company as their far east marketing manager. His sister, JOYCE, is attending Ohio State university majoring in occupational therapy...Condolences to WAYNE GRIFFIN on the loss of his brother-in-law recently. Sincere condolences to Mr. and Mrs. JOHN BRUCKER on the loss of their son, JOHN Jr. They wish to express their profound appreciation to their many friends at CTA, and especially to the North Section agents for the collection for masses which was given to John's widow, KATHLEEN...JERRY OLSEN is in the hospital at this writing. EVELYN LANZ and GERDA MATHEWS are home recuperating but hope to return to work soon. Gerda had the misfortune to fall and break some bones in her foot on February 8 and wishes to thank her many friends for their cards and calls...EVELYN GILESPIE wishes to thank all of her friends and co-workers who helped to make her retirement a happy one by giving her a gift...DIANE CHRISTINE SPARKS, the granddaughter of MARIAN SPARKS, was recently christened at

Berry Methodist church with a party following at their home...The North Side credit union held their annual dinner on February 8 with about 250 persons attending...ART KAVELAGE is out of the hospital and recuperating nicely at home...MIKE CRONIN is in California visiting his daughter and sister...HUGH HEGARTY and CATHERINE HARNETT are planning to be married on April 25 at Queen of Saints church. A reception will follow at Roscoe Hall. Here's hoping that they will have many years of happiness. ..This will be my last issue, so thanks, again, to all you nice people who have given me news. I will miss you after 11 years on the North Side. Please give your new scribe all the help you can, and don't be afraid to send her news. She is TINA HENKE, who is working in the State street subway at Chicago avenue.

- Grace Mounts

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

JOE VIOLA celebrated his birthday on February 2, ground hog day. A. KREUTZER celebrated his birthday on February 13, W. PANTLE, outside checker, on February 19, and J. CAPPELLETTI on March 19. He celebrated his birthday and name's day on this date. We extend best wishes to all the JOSEPHS on St. Joseph's day...WALLACE STOLTENBERG and his wife took some short trips on his vacation...E. WROBEL became a grandfather for the fourth time when his daughter gave birth to a boy, her third. Congratulations...Pensioner LAURA SCHRECKE spent a delightful Christmas season in Puerto Rico visiting with her niece...E. WROBEL is sporting a new 1970 Dart Swinger... We extended condolences to JOE DeGRAZIA whose mother passed away.

- Kathryn Batina

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

March 11 was a big day for WALLY OQUIST when he became a grandfather for the first time. His daughter, SUSAN, and son-in-law, RICHARD, presented him with a 6 pound 3 ounce baby girl named CHERYL LYNN. He wasn't very excited, but he did immediately drive down to St. Louis to see the new addition to the family. Wally even took his golf clubs along, but unfortunately they had two days of snow and he never got out on the course...We are happy to see that CARL LARSEN is back at work and feeling good after recently undergoing surgery...HENRY REDMAN and his wife, JUNE, drove to Kentucky to see their son, CHARLES, graduate from army helicopter school at Camp Campbell. Afterwards, the three of them went to Memphis for a visit with another son, RICK, who is attending Christian Brothers college. They spent some time in Nashville, and even though the weather wasn't very nice, they had a wonderful time just being together...MARY ANN BOHAT recently left us to join the Claim Department. We wish her the best of luck on her new job...On March 30 an open house was held honoring JOSEPH J. HEMZACEK, superintendent of surface operations. After 37 years of service with the Authority he was given a nice send-off by many of his co-workers and retired friends before beginning his retirement on April 1. He plans on spending a lot of time in Lakeside, Michigan, just relaxing and taking life easy. We all wish him the best of luck for a very happy and healthy retirement...On March 4 your scribe set a new high for herself in bowling. I rolled a 232 game, and, to say the least, I was thrilled. My series wasn't too good in spite of that big game, but I made up for it on another night with a 547 series.

A FAREWELL luncheon for DIANA WOOD, Transit News typist and stenographer in the Public Information Department, was given by her co-workers at the M&M Club on April 1 when she left CTA to await the arrival of the stork. Pictured left to right, seated, are: MARY STOMNER, CHRISTINE BORCIC, Diana, and INGRID BOES. Standing are: PAT HALLAHAN, KATHY SZATKOWSKI, COLETTE SZCZEPANEK, ARLENE ZITTMAN, and EILEEN NEURAUTER.

(Traffic Planning) -

FRAN, the son of FRANK BARKER, recently received his major letter for track. He had already earned two minor letters in his first two years, but this is the one he is really happy about and worked hard to earn. Fran is now a junior at Oak Park High school.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

On April 1, WALTER YOCIUS, a cable foreman in the Electrical Department working at Blue Island, began his retirement. Among those who were present to wish him good luck were ELMER FEHLHABER, PETE CARPINO, and MATT STIGLIC...After being off from work for some time because of an auto accident, it's good to see FRANCIS VAN GEENEN around again. A speedy recovery is wished to R. MURPHY and M. SZAREK who are now off sick. We hope it won't be long until they are feeling fine...Good luck is sent to D. MAYBERRY as he begins a new job. He is now a member of the Chicago Police department...NORBERT GWELKE returned to work from a very nice vacation with a good tan. He went to Las Vegas where he had a very good time, and also managed to see the Cubs during their spring training...PETE CARPINO can really say he is enjoying his retirement. He spent nine weeks in Florida relaxing in the sun; a great way to beat the Chicago weather...ED SLAMP couldn't have picked a better time to go to Florida for his vacation. Participating in races himself, as well as being a fan, he took advantage of the opportunity and attended the Daytona 500 race. This, along with good weather, helped to make it a very nice trip...We now go from one end of the States to another. California was the place chosen by A. CANDELLA for his vacation. Here he visited with his daughter and the balance of the time was spent enjoying the beautiful scenery...Our condolences are extended to L. DREWNIAKOWSKI whose mother recently passed away, and to the family of ANTHONY ANDERSON, a pensioner, who passed away...Retired Utility Department employes who are interested in attending a dinner to be held soon should call PETE RECHS at 776-9784 before 11 a.m. any weekday.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

CHARLES RICKER, his wife, and another couple flew to San Juan, Puerto Rico. Here they boarded a ship which

carries approximately 132 passengers and visited 16 islands, went on tours, and made it a point to go swimming every day at the beautiful beaches. All the islands were extremely interesting, green, and beautiful. The southernmost isle they were on was Trinidad, from which they could see the South American coast. The first few days out were a little rough but then it calmed down. Since most of their sailing was done during the night, their evenings were spent enjoying delicious meals and dancing afterward. It was a wonderful 13-day trip...MARLENE DAY and her husband, JOE, paid a visit to the general office while they were here in Chicago. Both of them had nice tans, looked good, and said they love Hawaii.

- Colette Szczepanek

SKOKIE SHOPS -

STANLEY BARNAS, shopman II, is the proud owner of a 2300 square foot lot in Long Grove, Illinois, where he built a new home. Stanley and his family moved into it in December, sort of as a Christmas gift for the family...EDWARD REYNOLDS, sheet metal worker, at this writing is home resting after an operation. Hurry back, Ed, we all miss you...LEON (Curly) KAJPUST, electrical worker, is home now after an operation and reports he is doing great. See you soon...SIGMUND BRZOZOWSKI, carpenter, is back in St. Mary of Nazareth hospital for the second time. Good luck, Ziggy, for a quick recovery...MARTIN GRIFFIN, shopman II, suffered an attack of chest pains in February and was taken to Skokie Valley hospital by the Skokie Fire department. At this writing, Marty is back at work and doing fine...WALTER WIDINSKI, machinist, is home from the hospital after a hernia operation. We miss you, Walter. ..CASIMER MARCHINSKI, machinist, is also home from the hospital to gain some strength after a series of tests. Good luck, Casey...CHESTER JAGEL, shopman II, has been missed. He also had some tests that confined him to the hospital. Chester is home now, so get strong and hurry back...Congratulations to JOSEPH ROMBOUT, electrical apprentice, and his wife, JANEL, on the birth of a baby boy, CHARLES JOHN, on March 9. This is the Rombout's second son...Our deepest sympathy to the family of WILLIAM ENDEAN who passed away suddenly...AL KRZEMINSKI, acting leader and foreman of the Axle Department recently served jury duty. Any interesting cases, Al?..On the sick list at this time is JOHN HRUSKA, shopman; OLIVER LAND, painter foreman, and WALTER GANDOR, painter... LINO LUPETINO, electrical worker, was a very proud father when he received a letter from the principal of Glenbrook North High school congratulating his daughter, MARIA, on her scholastic achievement. Her grade point average of 3.6 has earned her a position on the high honor list at Glenbrook, which very few attain. Keep up the good work, Maria...JOHN RUSS, laborer, was a smash hit in the two-day Mardi Gras at St. Gregory parish, February 6 and 7. Jack was master of ceremonies for both nights, and a "Can-Can" girl in an all-male chorus skit. The show was a riot and Jack was hilarious.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

The news is plentiful this month so we'll start right in... Our South Section has made the news again. Our own 61st Street won the Interstation Safety Contest award for the fourth quarter of 1969 and we were presented with a plaque by Mr. G. A. RILEY, superintendent of operating stations, on February 26. We had free coffee and rolls provided by management and several Jewel gift certificates were won by our men. Also, free coffee was served recently to all the rapid transit stations for making 1969 the safest year ever. Congratulations, 61st Street men, and to all our South Siders for their good safety record. Keep up the good work...Conductor JAMES WILSON was beaming from ear to ear when he told us about the birth of his first child, a boy named PERRY LeVON, born on February 7. Much happiness is wished the Wilson family...On our recent clerk system pick, Clerk TYRONE BROWN, who formerly worked on the South Section, has transferred back to us from the West Section, and Towerman ALBERT RAKESTRAW and Conductor JAMES CAREY were promoted to clerks...Conductor EARTHON JOHNSON, who has been on the sick list for several months, went on disability pension February 1. Our wishes for a return of good health real soon go to Mr. Johnson...Back to their posts and off the sick list are: Conductors GEORGE ROSS and STANLEY KIELDYK, Switchman RAY LAFAIRE, and Agent ANTHONY NICHOLSON... We are sure proud of our South Section baseball team who played in the Grant Park continental league in 1969 and won third place and presented a beautiful trophy which is displayed at 61st Street. Let's go out this summer, boys, and make it first place...Congratulations to Motorman JAMES McLANE who was promoted to supervisor on March 15... Just heard that Retired Assignment Agent JERE VINZENS has moved to California to live with her daughter, KAY, and her family. All her friends in Chicago will miss Jere. ..Supervisor DON MURPHY and his wife, GEN, got away from our cold weather and drove to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, for a sun vacation with their son, ED, and his family. While down there they met Motorman TONY JAGLA and his wife who were also vacationing in Florida...Conductor WILLIAM HUNNIFORD went on pension March 1 after 26 years of service and the boys at 61st Street gave him and Mrs. Hunniford a nice send-off. A get-together was held with sandwiches, cake, and coffee. He and his wife just recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. A long and healthy retirement life is wished for the Hunnifords. Many thanks to Motormen MARCUS WALKER and MOSES ASHLEY who arranged for the get-together and to our office

ARRIVING AT the terminal of the old North State streetcar route on a warm July day in 1910, Conductor **BERNARD CLARK** (left) and Motorman **FRED MAURICE** willingly posed for the photographer whose camera and tripod were set up for "shooting" the trainmen working the route. Bernard and his brothers, **JOHN** and **GEORGE**, all worked on the cars in Chicago. George, a retired bus operator and Transit News scribe from Limits station, provided this picture from his collection.

janitor, BEN MONTGOMERY, for helping in serving the food...A voice you hear in the line office now is FRENCHIE ELLIS who was transferred from instructor to line supervisor. He sure comes in loud and clear on the trainphones. ..Received a card from the traveling ARTHUR ANDERSON family (pensioned assistant station superintendent) who spent New Years day in Miami and then spent some time in St. Petersburg visiting several pensioners...Saw Retired Switchman WILLIAM "Babe" SAUNDERS and his wife, and they were feeling fine and say hello to everyone.

Receiving passenger commendations recently were Conductor IVORY DAVIS who was commended for his helpfulness to an out-of-town visitor; to Conductor EDDIE GILLESPIE for helping a passenger find a lost article, and to Clerks JOHN BARRY and JOSEPH C. JOHNSON for helping passengers find their lost articles...Some of our wonderful pensioners passed away recently: Motorman RALPH WRISKA, Conductor JOSEPH KOLMAN, and Agent MARY MURTAUGH. Our sincere condolences to their families... Shop Clerk JIM DALY was another winter visitor to Miami, Florida, for five weeks. Jim just loves Florida...The South Side Credit Union held its 33rd annual meeting on February 22 at the Avenue Liquors hall and a huge crowd attended. Congratulations to all the incumbent officers who were reelected and to the following new officers elected: Motorman CHARLES SPEARS and ELWOOD FLOWERS were appointed to various committees, Motorman MARCUS WALKER was made vice-president, and I must add a special congratulations to my better half, Clerk ROLAND, who was made president. I'm just busting with pride. A big, big thanks to the kitchen help: Retired Assignment Agents LULU HAMANN and ROSE HEIDENBLUT, and Mrs. FRANK PONZIANO, the wife of Conductor FRANK PONZIANO, without whose help I would have been lost in serving all the guests. It was good to see such a nice big crowd; good food and a good time was had by all. Don't forget to save a little each month and watch your savings grow...Isn't this wonderful: Pensioned Switchman GEORGE LAFAIRE and his wife celebrated their 67th, yes I said 67th, wedding anniversary on February 11. The LaFaires live in Hollywood, Florida...Resigning recently from CTA were Clerk JAMES MIDDLETON, Conductor ROGER WALKER, and Motorman JAMES FOSTER...Motorman LAWRENCE MAY is sure proud of his seven-year old son, BILLY, whose picture appeared in the Chicago Defender recently. Billy was presented a bike by Lyon and Healy for his outstanding performance as an organist and his perfect attendance as a student. He is also an honor student at the Pershing school...Our sympathy goes out to Motorman DELMUS ALLEN on the loss of his brother, to Agent ODESSA DANIELLEY on the loss of her mother, to Agent JERRY WEST on the loss of his father, and to Agents DORA IVORY and HENRIENNE CLAY on the loss of their sisters. It is a terrible, terrible shock to lose a loved one...Also our condolences to Retired Switchman FELIX LIENAU who lives in St. Petersburg, Florida, on the loss of his wife recently. Felix has been on pension since 1951...Motormen CLARENCE LEE and LYLE DERANSBURG completed their supervisor's training and now are extra supervisors...At this writing, Yard Foreman JOHN LEMKE, Switchman JAMES CALDWELL, and Conductor JOHN KALTSAS are on the sick list. Let's hope they return to work real soon...Another item of good news--Mrs. GRONEMEYER, the wife of Motorman FRED GRONEMEYER, who had been in the hospital for a couple of months, is now home recuperating... P.S.-Me thinks spring is peeking her head around the corner. Let's all say, "Hello and Welcome Spring."

- Verna Hartney

PICTURED HERE are the men of the old Elston Depot who were the 1941 champions of the CSL softball league. Left to right, front row: W. KERRIGAN, B. VAN DER MULLER, H. SEDIN, and E. GILLESPIE. Back row: H. HIGLEY, E. BORDES, W. ERICKSON, J. CARNEY, E. PAUL, J. BOROSKI, H. KRELLE, and R. EDMONDS. Higley, Kerrigan, and Sedin were from Limits Depot, but filled in when needed.

WEST SECTION -

Since I haven't written a column in a long time, I will be a little rusty so bide with me. I asked my friend and co-reporter, LOU PAYNE, to help me and all he could say was, "Sorry old man", over and over again. All I can say is what a friend...My motorman, ED DAVIS, who everybody digs, was dressed up in splendor the other day. He had on his bell-bottom trousers, a sport shirt with a kerchief around his neck, plus a flop hat. He looked as clean as a hound dog's tooth. The description was given by F. WINSTON, so don't blame me, Davis...I am not one to cause trouble among friends, but when JOHN CIMMERER asked MEL PFEIFFER a question it took Mel about three hours to answer it. John kept saying never again, never again, as he walked out of the carhouse...When two of our lightweights, TINY ROBERTSON and GEORGE CLARK, caught me at my locker and started pushing their big tummies into me, I knew that the Chinese never had a worse torture than that. I had to promise never to say elephant again. Hippopotamus, but never elephant...Why the big smile on Clerk MILLER's face when he said that COLE, BRADLEY, and DAVIS were going to the North Side? The rest of us will miss them and the other men that are leaving and hope they will come back to Lake Street soon...At 95th on the Dan Ryan there is a restaurant that is owned by JAMIE GORDON's aunt. What a nice person she is, and it's too bad he can't be. He made her charge me more for coffee, so wait until he gets coffee at Lake Street. It will be mostly water. ..CLARENCE VOJTA, after 40 years of service has now taken his pension and a nicer person you could never find. We wish him all the success in the world, and may he and his wife enjoy their leisure along the Fox river where they own land...Our credit union recently held their annual meeting and it was a big success. Five per cent interest on savings was given again and it made everyone happy. The only sad note was the leaving of JERRY BOYLAN. I worked with Jerry a long time and he is one of the finest. We are all sure that JOHN McCARTY will follow in Jerry's

shoes and do a great job...Now that Superintendent ED HEATTER has left us to go to Jefferson Park we wish him much success and may his new line be almost as good as Lake Street. Our new superintendent is JOHN FLYNN, and you couldn't find a better man to replace Mr. Heatter. We all know how much Superintendent Flynn likes coffee, so let's all get behind him and win a lot of safety awards so we all can get free coffee. And that is the kind he likes best...With WILLIAMS and NEW on the South Side, TOM PATTERSON kept saying I am number one. With COREY and MEAD coming to Lake Street, Tom started to cry for he will be number three again. I would like to congratulate PETE NAUGHTON and BEN MORRIS on finally making supervisors. It took them nine months--a record for the longest time. No kidding, they are two of the nicest fellows around. We all wish them the best of everything...My pal, LOU, will write the column next month and I wish him a blank mind like I had...See all you dudes later.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

69TH STREET -

Welcome to all the fellows who came to 69th Street on the system pick. You will find that we have some fine and impartial bosses, and the instruction force is the finest. Even our chief instructor didn't mind when he was instructed on how to sit in a chair properly so that he wouldn't break it. Our clerks are of the highest caliber and always willing to be of assistance. You can't help but like Chief Clerk ART LIPPHARDT, Clerks B. BECKER, L. HELINSKI, F. ROONEY, M. KANE, W. GOURNOE, R. CARSON, and that little relief man, H. RONS...We lost some good men like J. J. COYLE and J. G. KELLY who went to Archer. Beverly didn't post any new tables because they wanted to see if P. P. VASILOPOULOUS and R. M. DAVIS would run the old ones in the ground. Going along to Beverly, also, were C. H. CLAUSSEN and T. V. MULVEY. We will miss all the fellows who left and wish them the best in the years ahead...DAKE and FELTZ still can't understand how J. J. KOVATZ can walk into the office with doughnuts and come out with a charter...MICKEY YOUNG said he would have stayed awake while on his vacation had he realized it was going to cost him on the average of $100 a day. ..Believe it or not, R. FRALE took a week off to visit Golden Gate, Florida (which he practically owns). He flew down on a jet and had his rosary out all the time as he would have rather been on a "choo-choo" train...B. PULICK said that HORNING was silly to pay 47 cents for coffee and a roll when he could go to the Pacific Gardens on State street like he did. All they ask is a donation or a prayer. Never found out which Pulick gave, though...GEORGE JAROS' hobby is traveling. He has visited most of our national parks and has been in the 48 continental states. He intends to visit Alaska and Hawaii next. He also has visited Canada, Mexico, and 11 countries in Europe. Happy travels to wherever you go next, George...Instructor M. O'DONNELL just had a cancerous mole removed from under his eye. Everything turned out fine and he is very relieved. He also lost his brother, THOMAS, to the silent reaper. You have our deepest sympathy...JIMMY AHERN, repair department, was on vacation during St. Pat's week but still found time to send in some news. You're a great guy, Jim. He hopes that everyone had a nice St. Patrick's day and a wonderful Easter...We all wish MIKE MORAN and LEO GLOMBICKI a speedy recovery from their illnesses...Welcome back to JIM CASEY, MARTIN CAPLIS, and R. CANTY who have returned from the sick list...We hope the new repairmen, J. SCHULTZ, L. WHITTERS, and R. BENSON will be with us for many years, and to the new bus servicemen, J. GARDNER and C. DICKERSON, lots of success...Pensioners TONY KAZAITIS, CON CRAWLEY, DAN CONSIDINE, DICK RYAN, JOHN PRATAPIS, LUKE MORLEY, PAT FITZGERALD, PAT NICHOLAS, TONY ZEMAITIS, SAM VAN HUBEN, MIKE McGROARTY, and LES BERNARD have contacted us to let us know that they are enjoying their leisure time. We wish them the best of health for many years to come...MARTIN GRIFFIN took his pension on March 1, and we wish the Griffins many years of health and happiness...Vacations will soon be in full swing, so let me hear from you as to where you have been and what you did. You will find my mail box just to the left of the clerk's window. Happy vacations to all and drive carefully.

- Arthur P. Buesing

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

A hearty welcome to G. VAN NORMAN, Kimball, who is back at work after being on the sick list for an extended time...Our condolences to the family of C. EUGENE, Kimball, on the passing of their brother...The new student in the repair school is J. LAURIMIATAS, Kimball...On April 1 J. MORRISON, Kimball, retired after 23 years of service. We wish him the best of luck in the years ahead...Our sympathy to the family of J. O'MALLEY, Kimball, on the passing of their mother. Mrs. O'Malley, who passed away on February 16, resided at Carne, Belmullet-County Mayo, Ireland...The best of luck to R. COSTNER on his new position in the Electrical Department...Moving on to newer things are H. SLOVICK who transferred to Kimball from Congress, L. KASPER who moved from Wilson to Kimball, and J. O'TOOLE who left Howard for Kimball...Wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to STANLEY DOBEK, Kimball, who is under the weather with the flu. E. STAHL, Kimball, enjoyed a week's vacation during winter's last show of beauty...Best wishes for a complete and speedy recovery are sent to J. DANIELS, Congress, who underwent surgery for gallstones...Congratulations to MATTHEW BUCHANAN, Wilson, on his award as champion bridge player. Matthew received his trophy at a banquet on March 22, sponsored by the J. T. Whist and Bridge club. Word is that Matt is practicing for next year's games and trophy. Good luck, Matt... Welcome to the new repairmen and car servicemen at Dan Ryan: G. NICHOLSON, C. TOWNSEND, R. LONDON, M. McINTOSH, J. NICKEL, and C. HINELINE...CTA American Legion Post 1216 celebrated St. Patrick's day at their meeting in the Fort Dearborn hotel. A few of the smiling eyes were Q. BONDS, Q. THORNTON, C. NELSON, E. SHIELDS, J. CANNELLA, J. TRACY, F. BRISON, and S. JACKSON, Dan Ryan...Our sincere sympathy to the families of G. NICHOLSON, Dan Ryan, whose uncle, HOMER ANDERSON, passed away at Amarillo, Texas; H. WHITEHEAD, Dan Ryan, whose brother, JAMES, passed away in Chicago, and to C. L. DUNLAP, Dan Ryan, whose aunt, LOUENA JACKSON, passed away at Atlanta, Georgia...Here is an advance word to C. TOWNSEND, Dan Ryan, to have the cigars ready when the stork makes his first stop at the Townsend household...We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of JAMES DURR, clerk at Forest Park, who passed away April 2.

- Ray Brzezek

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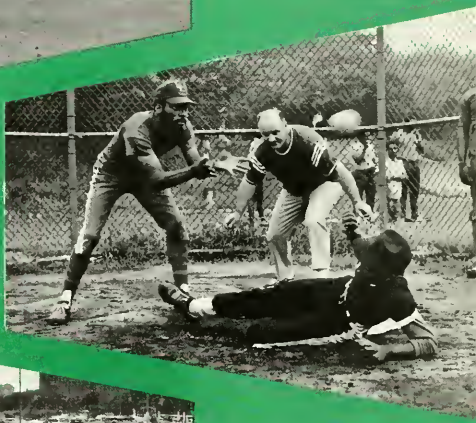

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News Briefs

Keeler and Ashland Stations Win ISC Awards

SHARING THE spotlight as Interstation Safety Contest winners for the first quarter of 1970 were Keeler Station, winning the surface award with a 72.56 score, and Ashland Station, which won the rapid transit competition with a perfect 75.00. Accepting the plaque from D. M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation, in the picture at left is R. W. Christian, Keeler Station superintendent. In the picture at the right, G. A. Riley, superintendent of operating stations, is presenting the plaque to M. J. O'Connor and J. J. Tvrdik, Ashland Station superintendent and assistant superintendent, respectively.

CTA Receives Three Ad Awards

THE MIDWEST'S most coveted advertising award, the Hermes Statuette, along with the Artist's Guild Chicago 3 and Addy Awards were presented to CTA for advertisements used recently. General Manager T. B. O'Connor accepted the awards from Bill Ries (right) and Charles White of CTA's advertising agency, Niefeld, Paley and Kuhn.

New Board Member Tours CTA

WITHIN A week after attending his first board meeting, Transit Board Member Wallace D. Johnson took a five-hour tour of CTA facilities to gain firsthand knowledge of transit operations. Mr. Johnson (right) is shown riding a Lake-Dan Ryan train with General Manager T. B. O'Connor (center) and Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.

Engineering Consultant M. B. Knox Dies at 73

AFTER A short illness, Merrill B. Knox died in Presbyterian-St. Luke's hospital on June 7. Mr. Knox' career in transit extended over 50 years.

As a mechanical engineering graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Mr. Knox came to the Chicago Rapid Transit in 1920 for his early training. Later, as a transit consultant, he headed the firm of Merrill B. Knox and Associates with accounts of National City Lines and other transit companies throughout the country. He also served as hearing officer for the Illinois Commerce Commission and worked closely with the Department of Subways and Superhighways of the City of Chicago in the construction of the State and Dearborn street subways. From 1945 to 1962 he was the engineer for the village of River Forest. He joined CTA in 1952 and retired in 1961; remaining as a consultant until the time of his death.

He is survived by a son, John, and two grandchildren.

OUR COVER: A summertime attraction for visitors and Chicagoans alike, the magnificent lakefront and its countless recreational facilities are a lure to the thousands who enjoy a respite at its parks and beaches.

Four CTA Retirees Honored

FOUR MEN whose lengthy careers in the transit industry started in 1933-34 were among those who retired on June 1. They are Robert E. Baxter, Charles E. Lapp, Valentine J. Nessinger, and George J. Wickman.

All four are pictured here at the time of their retirements receiving congratulations and best wishes from their supervisors and fellow employes. In the top picture, Mr. Baxter (left) and his wife are shown with Manager of Finance P. J. Meinardi and Budget Accountant W. J. Parrillo. In the second picture, Mr. Lapp is receiving the wishes of General Manager T. B. O'Connor as Superintendent of Research & Planning G. Krambles (left) and Supervisor of Graphics and Statistics J. P. O'Connor look on. In the third picture, Mr. Nessinger is shown between his wife and First Assistant General Attorney O. R. Hamlink. In the bottom picture, Mr. Wickman is with Superintendent of Instruction T. M. Stiglic.

Mr. Baxter, who retired as budget accountant in the Accounting Department, started with the former Chicago Rapid Transit as a Schedule Department traffic checker in October, 1933. He became a time checker in that department in 1942 and in May, 1951, he transferred to the Accounting Department as a time audit clerk. Mr. Baxter subsequently served as budget clerk, supervising budget clerk, accountant, and assistant budget supervisor until his appointment as budget accountant in February, 1966, the post he held until his retirement.

Even before Mr. Lapp started with the CSL in January, 1934, he had served as a bus driver for Chicago Motor Coach during the summers of 1929 and 1930 and as a trainman on West Towns streetcars from 1932 to 1934. In the Transportation Department he served as a streetcar motorman until becoming a starter and junior supervisor in 1936. Mr. Lapp became an instructor in 1942 and transferred to the Staff Engineers Office in May, 1944, to become the supervising transfer analyst. He served as transit analyst from January, 1951, to September, 1966, when he became senior transit analyst in the Staff Engineers Office, which was reorganized as the Research & Planning Department in 1967.

Starting in July, 1934, as acting assistant cashier in the Chicago Surface Lines' Claim Department, Mr. Nessinger became assistant cashier in 1937 and workmen's compensation clerk in 1942. After transferring to the Law Department as a court assistant in February, 1950, Mr. Nessinger subsequently became law clerk III and finally law clerk V, the post he held from September, 1962, until his retirement.

Spending his entire transit career in the Transportation Department, Mr. Wickman joined the CSL as a motorman in March, 1934. He subsequently served as a junior supervisor starting in 1943, as an instructor starting in 1946, and was assigned to the surface training school at Limits Station in 1949, where he remained until the time of his retirement.

Award Winners Receive $995.00 for Accepted Ideas

IN ITS report for the first four months of 1970, the Employe Suggestion Plan announced the adoption of 40 suggestions and the presentation of cash awards of $995 to CTA employes.

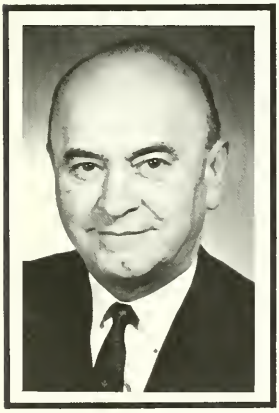
The Suggestion Plan also authorized an additional award to be given to the first 48 employes whose suggestions are adopted between May 1 and July 31. The bonus awards are baseballs personally signed by each member of one of Chicago's two major league baseball teams--the first 24 baseballs to be issued are signed by the White Sox and the second 24 by the Cubs. This award is in addition to the $7.00 gift certificate or lighter/tape rule set presented to each employe whose suggestion is adopted and cash awards of up to $10,000, based on actual savings to the Authority resulting from the suggestion.

For their ideas adopted in the January-April period, eight CTA'ers were presented cash awards of from $25 to $150. Receiving checks to the amount of $150 were two employes—Jerome Pavel, Shops & Equipment-South Shops, and Roger Torbik, General Office-Employe Relations. Winning an $80 award was Harold Johnson, Shops & Equipment-77th Street. Four other S&E Department employes, all of South Shops, were also named as cash winners: $65-Richard Naecker, $65-Stanley Romanosky, $45-Eugene Page, and with two separate $25 awards-Max R. Kuchan. A General Office employe who earned a $25 suggestion award was Darlene Verheeck, Purchasing.

For submitting their second adoptable suggestion within a year, four employes became eligible to receive $25 cash awards, including: Edward Federowicz, Transportation-Limits Station; James Nagel, Engineering-West Shops; Melvin Scheiner, General Office-Mail Room, and William Novotny, S&E-South Shops.

Cashing in on ideas they submitted a year ago, and which continued to produce savings to CTA, were four CTA'ers who became entitled to supplemental awards. Receiving a check for $205 was Robert Heinlein, General Office-Public Information. In the S&E Department, South Shops, an award of $35 was presented to Juozas Bagdzius while two employes with a joint suggestion, Charles Gerard and Larry Jareckas, shared a $25 award.

Those named for Honorable Mention awards because they submitted their first adoptable suggestion, making them eligible to receive either a Jewel-Osco gift certificate or a Zippo Lighter/Tape Rule set, are: Shops & Equipment—Yolenne Claude, James Haworth, John Kalinowski, William Novotny, Robert Sherman, Theodore Sutkowski, Thomas Tadevic, and Patrick Walsh, all of South Shops, and William J. Harlow, Archer Garage. General Office—Regina Daren, Medical; Adolph Kutz, Electrical; Elliott McMahel, Employment; Robert Michalczewski, Public Information; Melvin Scheiner, Mail Room; Frank Tamburrino, Stores, and William Worcester, Schedule-Traffic. Transportation-rapid transit—Myrtle Aptiz and Robert Edwards, North Section, Juanita Cooper and Roman Doubek, West Section. Transportation-surface—Charles DeCook, Limits, Harvey Jones, 77th Street, and William Kelly, Lawndale. Stores—Charles Jurkus and David Murry, both of South Division, and James Zazula, Skokie Shops. Engineering—James Flores, West Shops.



E. F. Weingartner, Claim Dept. Head, Dies at 59

MASS FOR Edward F. Weingartner, 59, general superintendent of investigations and claims for CTA, who died suddenly on April 28, was said May 2 at St. John Nepomucene church, 2953 S. Lowe avenue.

Mr. Weingartner joined the former Chicago Surface Lines in 1933 and spent his entire career in the Investigations and Claims Department of the CSL and CTA. He was named assistant superintendent of that department in 1964 and general superintendent in 1968.

Mr. Weingartner was past chairman of the Claims Committee of the American Transit Association, of which CTA is a member.

Survivors include his widow, Lillian; two sons, Edward and Donald; a daughter, Mrs. Judith Dabrowski, and four grandchildren.

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin, CTA Medical Consultant

GOUT IS a type of arthritis which is due to abnormal use by our body of uric acid. In fact, gout is the only type of arthritis which is linked to body metabolism. Metabolism is the basic process by which our body converts food into growth and energy and then passes off the unused portion as waste products. The key to gout is probably the faulty excretion or passing off of uric acid.

Gout is perhaps the oldest medically recognized disease--this condition was described by Hippocrates at about 400 B.C. In the beginning it was commonly considered an ailment of the kings and queens. However, medical science has since shown that gout is not entirely due to the high living which is associated with too much rich foods, wine, and beer. Statistics show that it occurs almost as often in the poor house as in the mansion. At first it was thought to be almost entirely a man's disease. Now it is known to frequently affect women.

In gout, uric acid, which is developed in the body from many foods, is deposited in joints and tendons, and as a rule causes great pain. This is not always true, however. Different persons react differently to excesses of uric acid. One person will suffer from gout while another will not, even when they both have the same level of uric acid in the blood.

The explanation is faulty metabolism in the gouty patient. In other words, this patient does not excrete or pass off the excess uric acid. The real underlying reason for the body's inability to pass off or excrete the excess of uric acid is most likely due to a deficiency in the adrenal glands. When these glands work properly they secrete an adrenal hormone which keeps blood uric acid in proper balance.

Common precipitating factors in the development of gout are injuries or chronic irritation, such as ill-fitting shoes or gloves, surgical operations on joints, infection, allergic reactions, exposure to excessive cold or heat, and finally, psychic upsets which result in a deficiency in the secretion in the adrenal glands.

The symptoms and signs of gout are usually manifested in the following way: gout most frequently hits the bunion joint of the big toe. The toe becomes red, hot, swollen, and very painful--this is often noted in the middle of the night. However, but not so common, any joint can be involved such as ankles, fingers, elbows, or knees. It can even affect the eyes, ears, or tendons of the hands and feet. Gout is apt to run in families and is most common at ages of 40 to 60 years. It can occur earlier in life, but this is rare. It is a chronic, but not a constant disease, returning and going away from time to time. The attacks usually last from two to four weeks. Kidney stones are a frequent complication of gout.

The diagnosis is usually easily made from the above clinical picture. In addition, the increase in the blood uric acid and X-rays as a rule clinch the diagnosis of gout.

TREATMENT OF GOUT: Although diet is involved in treatment, changes in the diet cannot alone effect a cure. Certain foods such as liver, sweetbreads, brains, kidney, and tripe should be eliminated. Wines and beer are more likely to be a factor than hard liquors.

Practically, treatment may be divided into two parts: management of the acute attacks, and application of preventative measures between attacks.

The acute attack: protection of the involved joint by a cradle, splints, sling or crutches, and pain relieving drugs such as colchicine, butazolidin, colbenamide, and the cortisone group. Some are given by mouth and others by injection.

The preventative management has two objectives, to prevent recurrent attacks and to prevent progressive joint changes. Use of the drugs mentioned above in proper doses may be taken for months or years without toxic effects. Also avoiding excessive cold or heat, infections, chronic joint pressures, and improper diets will help to reduce the possibility of future attacks.

As I have pointed out in all previous articles, the most important advice I can give you is to see your family doctor early if gout is suspected.

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THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (General) -

Great sorrow was expressed by the co-workers of LOUIS BIELSKI when he passed away on Tuesday, April 7. Louis formerly worked as a bus operator out of North Park Station...DORIS STAHL, a retired employe, passed away on Sunday, March 22, and interment was in Memorial Park cemetery in Old Orchard on Wednesday, March 25...MAE (Bujnowski) KOCH, a retired employe from the Payroll Section, passed away on Monday, March 30. Burial was at All Saints cemetery...Our sympathy and condolences to ANNE ANGST whose mother, Mrs. ROSE ANGST, passed away on Thursday, April 30...We were also sorrowed by the demise of Mrs. CECYLIA FOLTA, mother of WILLIAM B. FOLTA, assistant general accountant, on Sunday, April 26. We express our sympathy to the family...THOMAS McGRATH's mother-in-law, Mrs. FRANCES O'BRIEN, passed away on April 29. To the family we wish to express our sympathy...After 23 years of service with the Chicago Surface Lines and CTA, LYDIA HAEMKER of the Material and Supplies Section retired on May 1. A luncheon honoring Lydia was held in the M&M Club on Tuesday, April 28. Good luck and happiness are wished for Lydia...Good luck to ROD HEFFERNAN, formerly of Revenue Section, on his appointment as assistant to the treasurer...ROBERT BAXTER retired on June 1 after 36 years of service. A luncheon was held for Robert at the M&M Club on Wednesday, May 27. Hope your retirement will be a happy one...We welcome DENNIS ROGUS, a new addition to the Budget Department, who formerly worked in the Payroll Section... RAY SCHRAMM returned from a vacation looking well rested. He spent it around the city...BERNARD KANE has his first grandchild, a boy, ROBERT McELLIGOTT, born on April 26. Congratulations to the new grandparents... BEATRICE FRANKE had a very enjoyable vacation. She visited South Padre Island in Texas where she went swimming and ate a lot of fish. She toured Monterey, Mexico, where she rode a burro up Horse Tail Falls...Get well wishes are extended to CHUCK DAVIS who at this writing is hospitalized...KATHY SLOYAN returned from two weeks jury duty, and two other employes, JOE LAZZARA and JEANNE FITZGERALD, have been called to do their civic duty. Incidentally, they are to appear in different courts.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

(Payroll) -

STANLEY MAILUCK brought back many exquisite third-dimensional pictures of his recent trip to Callaway Gardens, located near Stone Mountain and Atlanta, Georgia. The azaleas, rhododendrons, and dogwood were in bloom as well as the red bud and fruit trees; the magnolia trees were merely in bud. He certainly captured the beauty of the spring scene. Callaway Gardens covers 2,300 acres, has ten lakes, and 15 miles of road suitable for bicycling of which Mr. and Mrs. Mailuck took advantage and enjoyed. They drove through Chattanooga, Tennessee, on the way to Warm Springs, Georgia, where they visited the Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial and found the Little White House, Museum, and surrounding area most interesting...DORIS YOST and her husband, FRED, left Chicago on that snowy Easter weekend and drove to Providence, Rhode Island, to visit their daughter and grandson. They encountered more snow in the mountains of Pennsylvania, but enjoyed the drive east. They thought Providence was an interesting old city. They also spent some time enjoying the sights of New York City such as the Statue of Liberty, Empire State building, Radio City Music Hall, and of course, they had to take the carriage drive through Central Park...We are glad to have MARY JANE HOSTETTER back from the hospital and feeling "fit as a fiddle" after her successful ear surgery...Many of us who had spring vacations merely enjoyed the relaxation and recreation in the Chicago area and were able to catch up on numerous chores.

- Clara Lawrence

(Tabulating) -

It took from a Thursday night to Saturday night for MARION SUTHERLAND to get a plane to take her to California. Needless to say, when she arrived in California the beautiful 75 degree weather did much to soothe the frustration. She spent her time in California relaxing and doing that feminine thing we call "shopping" at Port-of-Calls and Los Angeles...JOHN ECKEL and his family are very proud of their son, MICHAEL ECKEL, nine years old. Michael placed first in the southeastern School District math competition. John says he's a chip off the old block. Congratulations, Michael, we're proud of you, too...DAN FRUSOLONE spent his vacation at home during a nice, rainy week, so he could loaf and ignore his chores...Welcome back to FLORENCE PARROTT who returned to work after surgery...MARIAN BUCKLEY also had a rainy vacation which put a damper on her vacation activities.

- Evelyn Lee

BEVERLY -

Thanks to everyone who helped support the Notre Dame Retreat League dinner-dance. We made a profit close to $2,500 which is used to keep our high school students on the right path and "out of the woods." Don't forget the big retreat at Notre Dame, Indiana, August 14-16. Reverend Michael Foran is always ready to shake hands with the men from CTA which is always the largest group. Contact Pensioner ERNIE TOCCI or your scribe, TOM DANIELS, if you are planning to go or need a ride...Operator ED HENNECKE is back to work after being off for nine months... Glad to see Clerk JOHN KIRBY back even though he is on nights...Operator H. HARRIS is still on the sick list...Clerk DAVID BROADNAX is a hot rod and all the gals love his wavy hair. We sure hated to see him leave Beverly...Operator RALPH STEVENS became the proud father of a baby girl weighing 9 pounds 15 ounces. He is pushing 50 and was relying on his advanced age to help in birth control...AMOS FOSTER, your co-reporter, received a two-pound box of candy from two passengers for courteous service, but had to share it with Superintendent EVANS...It's good to have the younger fellows back at Beverly who transferred out during the system pick--my own son, AMOS Jr., included.

- Tom Daniels & Amos Foster

CLAIM -

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of E. F. WEINGARTNER, superintendent of investigations and claims, who passed away in April...CHARLIE OLCIKAS at a recent Catholic Youth Organization concert was presented with the cherished emblem of the CYO, The Order of the Palms, which is the highest award that the CYO bestows upon distinguished persons. Charlie has been working with the CYO for the past 30 years. Congratulations, Charlie, everyone is very proud of you... MARY BERRY enjoyed a two-week vacation in Florida where she visited, among places, Clearwater, Palm Beach, and saw the Apollo 13...HANK ZYCH is recuperating very nicely at home after his recent surgery. We hope to see his smiling face here soon...We recently had another member of our department join the ranks of the retired, MARIE SHUMON, who retired on May 1...SHARI PUPA, who broke a bone in her foot, learned very quickly to walk gracefully with a cast...Wedding bells will be ringing in the near future for LOIS POTTS and CLARENCE CRAWLEY who became engaged on April 9, and plan to be married at St. Leonard's church on October 31...Congratulations to ROCCO IACULLO who recently became a legal investigator, and to CLARENCE CRAWLEY who became a statementman...We would like to extend a warm welcome to DIANE RITROVATO and ROSEMARIE RITROVATO who recently joined our staff...Congratulations to LOU REDDING who became a grandmother for the fourth time when her daughter, SUE, had her first child. Sue and her husband, MEL CAMERON, were former ticket agents. They named their son RICHARD after his grandfather, RICHARD REDDING, of the Pension Division. ..The two sons of TIM O'ROURKE were graduated this June: TIM from Quincy college and DAVE from St. Cajetan Elementary school. Their father is counting on CHARLIE MARBLE to continue to give financial help...BILL LUMBACHER returned from his Texas and Arizona trip looking tan and healthy even though he spent an unexpected week in the hospital.

- Ruth Kaminski & Terri Kramer

CONGRESS (Agents) -

Pensioner CARL NELSON, formerly of Lawndale Station, and his wife will be leaving Broadview soon to make their home in Florida. I worked at 54th for many years and will always remember Carl's kindness to me and others...Agent STANLEY SLOWIK went on pension June 1. Will he be able to talk his wife into moving to Northern Wisconsin? . . Pensioner JOSEPH VARGO and his wife, JEAN, are back from California where they had a very pleasant visit with their son who is a student of oceanography. Joe is becoming an authority on the subject through his son. . . JOE BRITTANY's spaniel was awarded three prizes at the dog show. JEAN's black scotty and the spaniel are the best cared for dogs in the block. My recently acquired miniature schnauzer possesses the charm, looks, and personality of a Disney character, and answers to the name of Basil. We have had him for two weeks and have had as many offers as there are days from various people who would like to have him...Agent JOSEPH RYAN and his wife had a memorable time traveling about Italy on their vacation...Clerk RAY GEHRKE received word that his son-in-law, TERRY McGRATH, who is married to his daughter, ELLEN, is now a Specialist 4th Class and a chaplain's assistant in Viet Nam. Now we know where all the letters and packages are going...By the time this magazine is out, Porter PETER SAGRIS and his wife, CATHERINE, will have become the proud parents of a new baby. Will it be a boy or girl?..HENRIETTA BROWN why don't we hear from you?..Agent PEGGY HAYMON's son, DAVID, celebrated his sixth birthday on May 30. He was also graduated from Nursery school in June. Peggy and her husband, ROOSEVELT, will celebrate their 11th wedding anniversary on July 25 with friends in her mother-in-law's back yard. A barbecue is planned for that day. . . Student Agent JOHN SAMAAN was graduated in June receiving a degree in electrical engineering. He was also awarded a scholarship to Illinois Institute of Technology where he has plans of working towards his masters degree. We offer our congratulations and wish that wherever he may go or whatever he may do, with the knowledge he has acquired, he will find happiness and success...SALVADOR, the son of FRANK and ESTELYN ELI, received his first holy communion on Saturday, May 23, with a party following for friends and relatives. He was happy to have made his first communion and delighted with all the beautiful gifts...Agents SHEILA MURPHY, MARY GALLAGHER, and KAREN DOMINO are training to work in the assignment office...Agent CHARLES NOREK was on vacation in May. He and his wife now have a nice garden going.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL (Blue Island) -

The 24th Annual Retirement Dinner for Electrical Department employes was a huge success due to the efforts of HAROLD COYNE, RICHARD DORGAN, CLARENCE MALOTTKE, HARRY ANDERSON, ROBERT TAUSCH, SAM CHARLETON, and S. E. DOBOSIEWICZ, the hard-working members of the committee. The honored guests present were FRANK CORRIGAN (please note, Mrs. Corrigan, I didn't miss him this time), ARTHUR McDERMOTT, WIL-

HAROLD COYNE (far left) is shown presenting gifts to (from left) Retirees FRANK CORRIGAN, WALTER YOCIUS, ARTHUR McDERMOTT, and WILLIAM TOWNSEND.

LIAM TOWNSEND, and WALTER YOCIUS. Honored guests not in attendance were ARVIN WILMONT, who resides in Daytona Beach, Florida, and FLORIAN CZANSTKOWSKI, a resident of Urbana, Illinois. Other guests were Pensioners ARTHUR DOYLE, DANIEL GRIFFIN, THOMAS LANIGAN, EDWARD PARDELL, CLYDE PETERSON, C. J. BUCK, GERALD GRIFFIN, FRANK JONES, SYLVESTER DANECKE, ARTHUR RADDATZ, JOHN A. BLOOMBERG, EDWARD BRECHEL, JACOB BERNSTEIN, ADAM GABLIN, ALBERT J. MORF, LEN FRANCISCO, MIKE BATTISTO, and JOSEPH CONNELY. Well wishes for the honored guests were received from Pensioners THOMAS JOHNSON,

WILLIAM MORAN, and JOSEPH NAGRODSKI, all of whom live out of town and were unable to attend the dinner. We also received a letter from the daughter of LARS RASMUSSEN telling us of her father's illness. Lars was very proud of the fact that he had attended the annual banquet every year since its institution. We all wish him a full and speedy recovery. Union Local No. 9 was represented by President FRED HINCE. Union Local No. 134 was very well represented. Also present were Superintendent of Transportation D. M. FLYNN and Electrical Engineer A. R. SANDBERG. We are all looking forward to April 30, 1971, when we will go all out for our 25th annual dinner in honor of retiring personnel of the Electrical Department... ARVIN WILMONT proudly announced the birth of his fifth grandchild, a boy, born to NANCY and BRIAN HARSEFALL. Arvin asked us to let you all know you are welcome at his place if you get to Florida. The address is 326 Euclid avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida 32018...Vacationers at this time are: T. WIECZAREK, A. GODBOLD, H. COYNE, R. DORGAN, W. LOOS, J. HERMAN, and F. MARRIANE. Others on vacation were: R. BOOTH, who spent his week bailing water out of his basement, ROY KUTCHINS rejuvinated his Lincoln Continental, and CHESTER MATUSZEWSKI enjoyed the fishing in the Ozarks...Our deepest sympathy is extended to PETER MICHALEWITZ who lost his father...Welcome and best wishes to R. GRAJEK, R. DONNELLY, D. SENN, and J. FRAZIER who have just joined the Electrical Department...Who locked himself out of his car and then was almost arrested for car theft? His initials are F. L. with the assistance of H. G. in Norridge.

- William Rehder

(General Office) -

Distribution Engineer RONALD SWINDELL and his wife, MARILYN, became the happy parents of a daughter, LYNN MARIE, on April 7. The little one's brothers, CRAIG, 6, and KENNETH, 4, were delighted to have a baby sister join them...DEL TOSH, chief power engineer, and his wife, JOAN, are the proud grandparents of SHERI CHRISTINE. The baby's father, WAYNE TOSH, a former electrical employe, is stationed at Wichita Falls, Texas, with the U.S. Air Force...ROBERT FERGUSON, building wiring supervisor, and his wife, MAY, drove to Memphis, Tennessee, to attend the graduation of their son, ROBERT C., from the Naval Aviation Reserve Boot Camp. He was graduated with academic honors as an airman apprentice...KEN MIKOTA, engineer of building maintenance, and his family flew to Tucson, Arizona, for an Easter vacation in the sunshine... ADOLPH KUTZ, estimator, enjoyed a trip to Hot Springs, Arkansas. He brushed up on his golf game and is now ready for a swinging season...DONNA KAMINSKI, former stenographer, and her baby son paid us a visit recently. We saw the specifications for the new dream home in Downers Grove that she and her husband, RON, are building...Hope everyone will have a wonderful summer.

- Kay McAlister

ENGINEERING -

The Engineering Department welcomes Mrs. PAT BOLSINGER, a clerk-typist who transferred from the Transportation Department. Pat took the place of DIANE RITROVATO who transferred to the Claim Department. Good luck to both girls in their new positions...A warm welcome back is extended to JACK O'REILLY who returned following his recent stay in the hospital. Mr. O'Reilly had some pretty bad times this past year with his illness, but we're glad to know that is in the past. It's good to see your Irish smile back in circulation, Jack...Get well wishes are extended to ANNETTE HEFTER who recently underwent surgery. Annette gave us a call recently and reports that she is now recuperating at home and feels fine. Glad to hear the good news and we're all hoping for a speedy recovery and your return to us soon, Annette...CHESTER (Rusty) RUSAKIEWICZ and his wife spent their Easter holidays lounging in the sun in Orlando, Florida...Congratulations to DENNIS PERRY and his wife on the arrival of a baby girl. Dennis is a former draftsman...The Engineering Department welcomes SHYAM VYAS as a design draftsman III. Shyam was employed on May 18. FRED PETRINO brought a new addition to our department. His son, FRED PETRINO, started work as a laborer in the Building Division on May 18. We wish both men the best of luck and a warm welcome is extended from all.

HERE IS lovely CAROLYN IACONO, the daughter of FRANK and GRACE IACONO, who was graduated from St. Mary's High school and has plans to enter nurses training at Ravenswood hospital in August. Grace works in Research and Planning and Frank is at South Shops.

(West Shops) -

MARION TOMETICH, better known as "Soup", retired on April 1 after 42 years of service. His wife baked a beautiful cake and Soup passed out cigars. We're going to miss you, Soup. There'll never be another salesman like you...From the Track Department--CARLO DISPETTO retired on April 1 after 41 years of service. He said he plans to devote most of his time to his four children and his 14 grandchildren. That's enough to keep anyone busy. Good luck, Carlo...Plumber MIKE VIRGILIO retired on April 1 after 35 years of service. Everyone enjoyed the delicious Polish sausage and other goodies that Mike's fellow workers provided. We wish Mike a long and lovely retirement. ..Painter PETE CLARKE retired on April 1 after 23 years of service. PAT GILL, painter foreman, said the next time you pay a visit to your old home in County Kiltimach, Ireland, he wants to go with you Pete. Those Irishmen stick together. Good luck on your retirement, Pete...Ironworker Foreman HARRY PAOLICCHI's daughter, JOANNA, was wed recently at the St. Mary of Celle church. A beautiful reception followed at Manny Perl's in Cicero. The happy couple honeymooned camping in Oregon, the bridegroom's State. They plan to temporarily reside in Alaska where the bridegroom will be working for awhile...Congratulations are in order for two people in the Building Division. EARL STAZAK, laborer, recently became a father when his wife had a baby girl, and his father-in-law, HAROLD BERNDT,

supervisor, became a grandpa for the first time...Congratulations to Ironworker NICK GALLO whose wife presented him with a second baby girl on Easter morning. What a nice present for the Easter bunny to bring. Nice going, Nick...CALVIN POLLARD, surveyor, who is Captain of the Road Runners Bowling team, in the 77th Street operators league, brought his team in first place this past season. He said this just has to be the beginning of a dynasty. You wouldn't be bragging, would you, Cal?..LEE ANDERSON, general carpenter foreman, is having quite a seige with his new labrador retreiver, now 13 months old and beginning his training for future use in pheasant and waterfowl hunting. As we all know, Lee and his daughter, DONNA, are great goose and duck hunting nuts. Lee's last dog, Lancer, a springer spaniel who once received an honorable mention in field trials, has passed on. So we wish Lee good luck and good hunting with his new dog, Morgan...We have a newcomer to the Building Division who transferred from Howard Street where he worked as a conductor on the "L". West Shops gives a hearty welcome to CORNELIUS GRAVES Jr. who is now with the laborers. Glad to have you aboard, Cornelius...Once again the Engineering Department outdid themselves at the 7th Annual Retirement Party which was held at the Peacock Room, 6146 W. Cermak road. The food was as plentiful and delicious as ever, and the drinking and dancing were never better. The retirees honored were: W. KLEMPIER, supervisor of building maintenance; J. BOGAN, laborer; T. SORRISSIO, trackman; L. MONTOYE, carpenter; J. PARNELL, trackman; T. THORPE, carpenter; F. DORICH, loader-operator; C. POLICH, welder; M. FOSTER, bricklayer; J. CHADWICK, painter; J. ARNIERI, trackman; V. SHUBAT, track clerk; J. WEATHERSPOON, laborer; R. SEXTON, trackman; R. ZOLEKE, ironworker; M. TOBIN, track foreman; S. LERCARA, laborer; P. CLARKE, painter; M. VIRGILIO, plumber; M. TOMETICH, machinist, and C. DISPETTO, trackman. All of the retirees didn't attend, but those who did sang out their praises for an enjoyable evening...There are two men in the Track Department who have been off for quite a while that we miss around here very much. They are TOM SPASOJEVICH and JOE RASPORICH. We wish you both a speedy recovery from your ills and hope to see your faces again soon...We also wish a get well and a hurry back to Frog Shop Foreman JOHN GUZOVICH who recently had an operation and is now recuperating at home...MARY GALLON, your reporter, recently celebrated her fifth wedding anniversary by giving her husband a surprise party. For awhile it was uncertain whether the party was going to be a surprise or not with all her plans going haywire. However, it all turned out for the best and it was a great party after all...WEST SHOPS FLASH NO. 1: What prominent safety man got everything including his long underwear wet when he accidentally fell into the water while vacationing up north recently?..WEST SHOPS FLASH NO. 2: What carpenter foreman has recently prepared himself for the hot days ahead by sporting quite a new haircut?

HONORED BY Superintendent of Engineering E. E. OLMSTEAD at the seventh annual retirement party were (from left): ROBERT ZOLEKE, MARION TOMETICH, VINCENT SHUBAT, CHARLES POLICH, Mr. Olmstead, JOHN PARNELL, SALVATORE LERCARA, and MARSHALL FOSTER.

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

GENERAL OFFICE (Law) -

We were glad to see BARBARA BAGNUOLO, docket clerk, back to work after being off several weeks following surgery. . . PHIL COMIANO, attorney, and his wife are spending three weeks flying to Moscow, Poland, Bulgaria, Budapest, and Prague...ED REICHARD, attorney, as of this writing is in Mayo Clinic. Best of health is being sent to you...LEON WOOL, attorney, along with his wife and family flew to Miami Beach for two weeks enjoying the beautiful weather and getting a suntan...CLARENCE VESELY, messenger, and his wife, ALICE, also took a flying trip to Mexico for their vacation...JERRY CAMPBELL and her husband drove to New Orleans to visit with her father-in-law, whom we understand is quite ill...The time has come when VAL NESSINGER, after 36 years of service, retired on May 31. We understand he is going to spend some time in Wisconsin fishing and maybe brushing up on his bowling on the sideline.

(Treasury) -

We welcome to the department Token Clerk STAN LAVAND, formerly of the Repair Department...Congratulations are in order for ROD HEFFERNAN who was promoted to assistant to the treasurer. Keep up the good work, Rod...We understand HAROLD DONIHI won a radio playing golf in the CTA tournament. You must be getting better all the time...FRANK VYZRAL and his wife celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. Congratulations to the happy couple...ANN GUSICH, cashier I, spent a week in St. Louis while attending a convention...It is ironic that the first report of the first crew, so called because we are the first group to be regularly assigned to central counting, announces its first change in personnel. The first crew is comprised of Superintendent F. PALLILUNAS; Supervisors A. BROMAN, E. POTENBERG, and M. BUCKLEY, and crew members A. ZASIMOVICH, D. PRICE, J. FIORITO, E. SHERROD, G. MARSHALL, W. REYNOLDS, P. MANGAN, A. BASTEAN, Z. McBAY, and W. PASZYNA. We'd like to thank some of the pioneers for getting out a lot of the bugs at central counting but there have been a lot of innovations since their brief tenure. The major innovation has been the molding of a finely tuned work crew under the capable guidance of Mr. Pallilunas with a frequent assist from Mr. Donihi. The "Big Daddy" of the whole operation is, of course, Mr. C. GRUBE, our treasurer. Meantime, our boss, Mr. Pallilunas, is basking in the Florida sun.

(Medical) -

HARRY SOREGHEN, medical technician, and his wife drove down to Florida, and on the way back stopped in Washington, D.C., and visited the Capitol and Kennedy grave. They also visited the Shenandoah Valley and the Blue Ridge Mountains...Dr. MOSNY and his wife and grandson drove to Florida for a couple of weeks of rest...Dr. ERICH GROSS and his wife just returned from two weeks in sunny Scottsdale, Arizona. He is sporting a beautiful tan.

(Employment) -

DOROTHY COUGHLIN and her husband spent a week's vacation getting acquainted with their new apartment...The welcome mat is extended to MARYAN KEARN, clerk-typist, JOHN STEINMETZ, clerk II, and GENE JENDRACH, graduate-trainee. . . We hear that FRANK BRADY, interviewer, spent two delightful weeks in Florida with another fellow employe (leaving their wives at home). That is a good way of getting plenty of rest and peace.

(Employe Relations) -

In addition to sporting a diamond ring, MARYANNE PRELL was also seen sporting a pair of crutches. We hope it won't be permanent...Welcomed to the department was GENEVIEVE BERG, clerk-typist, who replaced ROSE RITROVATO who transferred to the Claim Department.

(Public Information) -

We bid farewell to ALDY CEDENO who resigned to await the arrival of a blessed event. To fill her position, in turn, we welcomed PAT REED who came to us from the Employment Department...FRANK DISCH spent a pleasant week's vacation driving to Nashville, Tennessee, with his lovely wife...Your co-reporter, EILEEN NEURAUTER, and her husband, RUDY, bus operator from Forest Glen, flew to Florida for a week of basking in the sun. Keep on travelling, "Murph."..We were sorry to hear the bad news that PAT HALLAHAN is confined to St. Joseph's hospital in Elgin after an accident. Wishes for a speedy recovery are in order.

(Reproduction Services) -

CAROLYN WILSON, dictaphone typist, flew to Aberdeen, Maryland, to visit with her girl friend whose husband is stationed at the army base there. This was her first flight and I understand she enjoyed it very much. . . MICHAEL RICHARD HANNIGAN, the son of RICHARD HANNIGAN, painter at South Shops, and the brother of PATRICK HANNIGAN, multilith operator, has received an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Mike, an honor student, was the Junior Mayor of Chicago for 1969. Mike, who was graduated on May 31 from Gordon Tech High school, ranked ninth in his class of 477.

(Research & Planning) -

CHARLES LAPP retired on May 31 after more than 36 years of service. An open house and a dinner held in his honor were attended by many of his friends and co-workers. Charley told us he was really going to make use of his golf clubs and brush up on the old swing. Good luck, Charles, and may you have many happy and healthy days ahead...TOM HENNINGSEN and STEVE LEGLER have been doing some shopping lately. Tom just bought a house in bright and sunny Seminole, Florida, and Steve has a new Mercury Monterey parked in front of his house. Just to do a little planning ahead, how about if we take a trip down to Seminole next winter in a Mercury Monterey... GEORGE MACAK and his wife, JUNE, and their son, CHUCKY, have been doing a little vacationing on the East Coast. The family attended the Train Collector's Convention in York, Pennsylvania, and took in some sightseeing at Gettysburg. Glad to hear they had a nice time...Welcome to WALTER PASZYNA who started with Research and Planning in April... WAYNE ANDERS, the son of HERMAN ANDERS, received his masters degree at Northern Arizona university on May 29. He will teach in a junior high school at Lake Havasu City, Arizona, this fall. Everyone wishes him the best of luck.

THIS HAPPY young fellow is JAMES MICHAEL KALATA, the son of Operator and Mrs. HENRY J. KALATA, Beverly, who was graduated from St. Christina Grammar school on June 2 and has plans to attend Morgan Park High school in the fall.

(Training & Accident Prevention) -

On May 18 ART HUBACZ and his wife traveled to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary. Art and his wife, BERNICE, are the proud parents of one son and two daughters. They also have five grandchildren...The department welcomed Graduate Trainee RICHARD GROSS. He will be with us for about three months...JOHN McKENNA and his wife, RUTH, spent two weeks in Antioch, California, visiting friends. John and Ruth also visited Fisherman's Wharf and rode the cable cars in San Francisco--and would you believe while they were riding on a car the cable broke...JOE O'SULLIVAN and his wife, HELEN, journeyed to Hannibal, Missouri, to visit the area made famous by Huck Finn and Tom Sawyer. ..At the Annual Junior Achievement Dinner in the Conrad-Hilton hotel, LYNN MAGINNIS, the daughter of STUART MAGINNIS, played the piano while the choral group known as the "Blue Chips" sang a number of songs...MIKE McCARTHY has been talking to himself lately. He can't understand how J. C. Martin ever got to be a Cub. Mike says J. C. is no more a catcher than the White Sox are a ball team. WALT GARBUTT doesn't agree with him. He says J. C. is a catcher worthy to play on a Cub team, that's why Mike is talking to himself...JOANNE BOURNE is out of the basement. Her kitchen remodeling has been completed. She has a brand new gas range with two ovens. She says she needs two ovens to feed her husband, JIM. . . BILL SHOLDICE has received his passport and is ready for his big trip to Europe... MARY GRACE BREMER, now Mrs. JAMES JEWELL, former employe, is now a resident of London, England. She is expecting in October. She lives in a typical English house on the outskirts of London and says the London transportation is the world's worst... CLARENCE CRAWLEY, formerly of this department, gave Miss LOIS POTTS an engagement ring. Our shy boy, Clarence, took everyone by surprise...E. HIRSCH and his wife, VAL, are presently vacationing in Arkansas where it was reported that the fish are big and hungry...PAT DUNEK is anticipating a very lively summer. Her brother, JIM, and his family purchased a 30-acre farm outside Elgin, Illinois. The farm is well stocked with a tractor, horses, and pigs. Pat says she'll visit but won't do any of the chores.

(Insurance) -

LYNNE KLOPP became Mrs. ALAN LINDEN on May 30. The wedding took place at Bethel Lutheran church. Lynne

will be resigning in June and we are sure going to miss her smiling face. TONI GALIC will be the new receptionist in the Insurance Department replacing Lynne Klopp. Good luck on the new job...ANN GOLDING is home recuperating after surgery and is coming along fine. We are hoping to see you around real soon...TERRY MNICHOWICZ and her husband, LEE, flew to Hawaii for ten luxurious days of taking in the sights and basking in the sun...RICHARD REDDING became the proud grandfather of a grandson, RICHARD ROBERT, who was born on April 17 and weighed 7 pounds. Little Richard is the son of SUE and MILLARD CAMERON of Detroit, Michigan. Sue was a former ticket agent. Dick spent a few weekends enjoying his grandson in Detroit...JEANINE GERARD, as of this writing, is home recuperating after minor surgery. Hurry back as we all miss your freckles.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

KEDZIE -

Congratulations to the Kedzie Station basketball team of 1969-70. Kedzie is number one--the champs! Members of the team are: Coach WATTS, M. WEBB, L. HARRIS, E. RICHARDSON, J. BATEAST, J. CRUTHIRD, C. HASSELL, J. ROBINSON, J. THOMAS, M. SINGLETON, P. BRANCH, and E. DOSS. A banquet was held on April 24 at St. Patrick's church where awards were presented. Superintendent M. HARRINGTON accepted the team trophy for Kedzie. Also present at the banquet were CTA Board Chairman G. L. DeMENT, Superintendent of Transportation D. M. FLYNN, Operating Manager C. E. KEISER, Transit Board Member ERNIE BANKS, and a host of others from the General Office...Congratulations to JERRY KNOPF on his promotion to supervising instructor for the North Side. He will be missed at Kedzie. Replacing Jerry is Supervisor JACKSON...Operator MILLER is now attending school to become a supervisor...Operator J. MISEK is on the sick list. He fell off a ladder doing some chores around the house and broke his heel. Here's hoping by the time this issue is out you will be well on the road to recovery.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

Operator G. D. McFADYEN has been "raising sand" for so long that his missus, BOBBIE, granted him the privilege of becoming Senior to his first son, Junior, on April 15. Mac already has some lovely daughters...Showing how easy it is, Pensioner AL KRIEMAN and his wife, ELEANOR, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 19. Al was a Keeler bus jockey for 33 years. We had a beautiful picture of these two, alas it was in color so it could not be printed. So remember, guys and gals, only sharp black and white photos can be used...Operator J. NELSON and his wife, FLORENE, celebrated 8 years of wedded bliss on May 19. Operator E. LATTIMER and his wife, MARY, rang the bells two times on May 18. Our future CTA law representative, M. LEE and his wife, BOBBIE, made it six in a row on June 6. Would you believe that WHITEY SZYMELL and his wife, ANN, celebrated 32 years of togetherness on June 25? Of course, your scribe, ERNEST CARTER, and his wife, VIRGIL, also hit the 32nd milestone on April 27...Meanwhile back at the SZYMELL ranch, Whitey's son, DON, birthdayed on June 10, and his daughter, CAROLYN, June 11. Birthday salutations to: Operators C. CUBIE, April 28; J. RODRIGUEZ, May 16; J. MATOS, May 18; L. BANKS, June 6; C. GORDONE, June 10, and Garageman LOU OLANDESE, May 26. Operator DONALD THORPE didn't forget his lovely missus, CURTISS M., June 9...Our condolences to the family of a very nice fellow, Pensioner HANK RICHTER, a well thought of garage foreman. Hank's passing reminds us of a saying that exemplified his life, "If a man speaks ill of you, live so that no one will believe him."..Ladies, please don't write to me but to Operator D. R. NORTON. It seems in no time at all Norton lost 27 unwanted pounds... Board Member ART SCHNEE wishes to thank all the fellows for their contribution to COPE...Operator JAMES CARSON and his wife have found the solution to the tax problem. They were the proud parents of twins, JAMAL and JEROME, born on April 8. Jamal weighed in at 5 pounds 10 ounces, and Jerome fractured the scale at 6 pounds 8 ounces...Boy did I almost goof but good. Station Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN owned up to another birthday in May. Many happy returns, boss...Can't possibly forget our custodial superintendent, SY GOLDMAN, who birthdayed on June 20. Sy's daughter, ROSETTE STRUBEL, and her husband contributed to the festivities by celebrating their sixth wedding anniversary on June 21...In spite of all of Operator NICK ROSSILLE's tears, love prevailed and his son, SAM, tied the marital knot on May 2...Repairman JIM ALEXANDER blew out his candles on April 18. However, his wife, BOBBIE, joined him in their camper and helped him celebrate in Ottawa, Illinois...Operator JERRY TAYLOR and his better half vacationed in the blue grass of Kentucky...Station Instructor WEYER and Superintendent CHRISTIAN want to thank all the fellows for making possible the winning of the first quarter interstation award. Instructor Weyer is vacationing now, but will be relieved by Instructor KOCAR, another real nice guy...Hey, hey, our baseball team is on its way thanks to the managerial capabilities of Operator and Co-reporter ANTHONY BERRY. Loads of luck!..Say, gang, if you want to get a good deal on that vacation, you had better see Operator KUZYK. Kuzyk and his sister, ROMANA, and his brother, GEORGE, are the proud owners of the latest motel in the Wisconsin Dells. Special rates in June and September to all you interested people. Me, I'm waiting for the October rates...Birthday greetings to lovely GEORGIA, the wife of Operator M. MYERS, June 25...Operator ALEX JANITO and his wife, HELEN, toasted 28 years of togetherness on June 7. Alex also rang the birthday bells on June 15...A closing thought for all types of militants and revolutionists--"It is hard to express love with a clenched fist." Love to all.

- Ernest C. Carter

LAWNDALE -

On Friday, April 24, at 7:00 P.M., the First Annual Basketball Awards Dinner was held at St. Patrick's church. It was indeed a wonderful evening with praise and congratulations coming from Transit Board Chairman GEORGE L. DeMENT. Presenting the winning trophy to Kedzie Station was Mr. Cub, ERNIE BANKS, another Transit Board member. My own congratulations are extended to all of the fine athletes who participated in this fine program...Recently we received a card from Mr. and Mrs. STANLEY BITEL, former assistant superintendent at Lawndale. They are traveling through cities such as Memphis, Vicksburg, Natchez, and the state of Louisiana...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. MARTY KARIOLICK who celebrated their

JOINING THE ranks of the retired during the months of May and June were the 11 employes pictured here who had 40 or more years of transit service each.

A. S. REMACK
50 Years

E. J. GAICHAS
49 Years

T. E. KUTA
44 Years

R. R. MUNGAI
42 Years

B. L. SPARKS
41 Years

W. WASLICKI
41 Years

G. W. BEYERS
41 Years

L. FUCARINO
41 Years

J. J. KELLY
44 Years

W. E. WILCOX
42 Years

C. J. SCHULTZ
41 Years

NEW PENSIONERS

ELI APRIL, Conductor,
North Section, Emp. 9-19-45
ROBERT E. BAXTER, Budget Accountant,
Accounting, Emp. 10-11-33
FRANK J. BELL, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 1-16-34
GEORGE W. BEYERS, Shopman II,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 12-10-28
MARCELLA M. BITTERLIN, Ticket Agent,
South Section, Emp. 3-1-45
LAWRENCE CONWAY, Assistant Foreman,
North Avenue, Emp. 4-4-29
NICHOLAS P. CULLINANE, Bus Repairer,
Archer, Emp. 9-15-42
BEN CUTRERA, Fork Lift Operator,
North Division, Emp. 5-24-41
JAMES F. DALY, Combination Clerk,
61st Street, Emp. 11-27-42
STANLEY C. EDQUIST, Power Supervisor,
Electrical, Emp. 8-16-27
WILLIAM FLATLEY, Carpenter "A",
South Shops, Emp. 10-17-30
LOUIS FUCARINO, Trackman II,
Track, Emp. 2-20-29
ERNEST J. GAICHAS, Electrical Worker,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 4-11-21
LYDIA C. HAEMKER, Batch Control Clerk,
Accounting, Emp. 1-20-47
HENRY A. HAMMER, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 8-17-45
ROBERT W. JOHNSON, Bus Serviceman,
Kedzie, Emp. 5-27-33
JAMES J. KELLY, Motorman,
West Section, Emp. 1-7-26
THEODORE E. KUTA, Bus Repairer,
North Park, Emp. 9-8-25
CHARLES E. LAPP, Senior Transit Analyst,
Research & Planning, Emp. 1-27-34
BERNARD J. LAZISKY, Bus Repairer,
Beverly, Emp. 2-2-38
MILDRED T. LeMIEUX, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 10-14-47
ROY A. LUNDQUIST, Truck Shop Foreman,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 11-13-35
HENRY C. LUPLOW, Clerk,
77th Street, Emp. 12-30-33
FRANK J. MARTIN, Motorman,
West Section, Emp. 1-23-50
MARIUS E. MILLER, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 9-10-53
WILLIAM G. MOSER, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 12-17-40
ROY R. MUNGAI, Switchman,
West Section, Emp. 4-9-28
VALENTINE J. NESSINGER, Law Clerk V,
Law, Emp. 7-23-34
EDWARD C. PRUEMER, Bus Repairer,
69th Street, Emp. 11-8-40
CHARLES QUALIARDI, Shopman II,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 12-5-42
JOHN T. RAFFERTY, Machinist,
South Shops, Emp. 4-27-43
ALFRED S. REMACK, Chief Receiver,
North Park, Emp. 8-2-19

CHRISTIAN J. SCHULTZ, Operator, Archer, Emp. 1-18-29
NELL SCHNEIDER, Stenographer, Executive, Emp. 1-2-48
MARIE E. SHUMON, Typist I, Claim, Emp. 1-10-66
STANLEY J. SLOWIK, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 11-9-36
BERL L. SPARKS, Operator, 77th Street, Emp. 11-22-28
LEO J. SWITLIK, Bus Repairer, Forest Glen, Emp. 7-2-42
JOSEPH R. TONN, Receptionist, Executive, Emp. 2-17-42
JEAN A. VERBICK, Ticket Agent, North Section, Emp. 11-27-43
WALTER WASLICKI, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 9-7-28
GEORGE J. WICKMAN, Instructor, Limits, Emp. 3-8-34
WILLIAM E. WILCOX, Asst. Div. Storekeeper, South Division, Emp. 4-2-28
RAYMOND W. WITTROCK, Signal Maintainer Specialist, Electrical, Emp. 1-6-42

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

HENRY P. BALL, Operator, Lawndale, Emp. 11-28-42
THOMAS GALANTE, Invoice Clerk I, Purchasing, Emp. 11-28-42
FRANCIS W. GARRITY, Motorman, West Section, Emp. 7-10-47
ALBERT A. KLINGBEIL, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 6-17-41
CLIFFORD PETERSON, Operator, Keeler, Emp. 8-21-44
JOSEPH H. SMITH, Information Clerk, Transportation, Emp. 3-30-42
HARRY A. TADROWSKI, Conductor, West Section, Emp. 9-4-45
EDWARD H. TAYLOR, Car Repairman, 61st Street, Emp. 10-17-57

RETIRING AFTER 22 years of service with CTA was Executive Department Secretary NELL SCHNEIDER, who left to enjoy the life of leisure depicted by the gift she is holding. Nell was honored by her friends and fellow employes at a luncheon in the M & M Club on April 29.

25th wedding anniversary on April 25; to Mr. and Mrs. JAMES MARSHALL who celebrated their 8th anniversary on April 27, and to Mr. and Mrs. ED CELOVSKY who celebrated their 29th anniversary on May 2...We're glad to see F. FARRELLY and M. MEYERS back to work after a long absence...C. LAUGHLIN, F. LERCARA, and T. PRYOR are still on our sick list, but I've learned that they are coming along fine and will be back soon...Our deepest sympathy to the family of ROBERT FENRICK who recently lost his father...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. SAMUEL STIDWELL Jr. on the birth of a daughter, CYNTHIA, on April 15...Each year Operator H. COX visits the annual dog show held here. This year he enjoyed an even bigger thrill when he met BRENT MUSBERGER, WBBM-TV sports personality...The regular softball season will be in full swing shortly and the Lawndale champs of '69 will be out to take the championship again this year. So let's give the champs the spirit and support they need to retain first place...Our birthday greetings are extended to the following men: A. MARTIN, C. DIXON, J. JOHNSON, J. McGHEE, G. MATHEWS, R. FEMRICK, F. DVORAK, E. WASHINGTON, W. HARRINGTON, A. ADAMS, H. LUKA, P. IVORY, R. AUSTIN, L. HARRIS, L. McCLELLEN, W. LAMAR, F. FARRELLY, E. JONES, H. BALL, J. BRANHAM, B. BROWN, W. WHERRY, C. SMITH, and S. HARDY...Have a safe summer and enjoy your vacations.

- James Marshall

LIMITS -

Operator I. LEWIN and his dear wife enjoyed a wonderful vacation visiting the Holy Land. Among the places that they viewed were: Joppa, Beersheba, the Dead Sea, Nazareth, and Bethlehem. Lewin reports that he has taken quite a number of pictures and will be happy to show these to anyone interested... Operator JOHN FLOYD and his dear wife enjoyed a wonderful vacation in Ireland. They also traveled to France, Germany, and Switzerland. They reported the scenery was breathtaking, especially up in the Swiss Alps...Congratulations to Operator STEVEN BUTLER and his dear wife, ROSE, on the arrival of STEVEN Jr. May the little fellow grow up to be a real credit to the name of Butler...Operator BOB PENDLETON and his dear wife became grandparents during the month of April when their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. ELLIOTT, presented them with a cute grandson. Mrs. Pendleton will be with her daughter in Connecticut until August where she will be busy caring for her new grandson...Congratulations and best wishes to Operator RICHARD STEPHENS and his wife, ELLA, on the completion of 38 years of wedded harmony on May 7. May you folks have many more years of happiness together... Instructor BROGAN completed 29 years with the CTA during May, and on this date his three grandchildren, TERI, 4, PATTY, 6, and CHRISTOPHER CICHON, 2 years old, celebrated their birthdays. Congratulations to all...GERALD MAY, the son of Superintendent GEORGE MAY, was married to JOANN PUCILO during the month of April. The wedding took place at St. Nicholas cathedral, Oakley and Rice streets. Congratulations and best wishes to the happy couple. His daughter-in-law, MARY C. MAY, had an exhibit of her artwork at the Public Library on May 1-5. She received a number of honors from the art critics. Congratulations!..CLEVEN WARDLOW, our "happy bus" driver, is among the ten winners in the second annual Superior Public Service awards program sponsored by nine local government agencies. Wardlow was honored

with the nine other winners chosen in five categories at a recognition dinner on May 21 in the Sherman House. Mayor Daley, County Board President George Dunne, and other dignitaries attended. Congratulations!..To the men at Limits who play checkers on the new checker board, they owe their thanks to Operator IKE WILLIAMS who spent many hours of labor in the making of this masterpiece... Our sincerest sympathy to the families of Pensioner FORREST ROSS who passed away; to Receiver GEORGE SINGER in the loss of his sister, VIRGINIA BURDICK, and to Supervisor KEARNS in the loss of his sister, Mrs. SARAH BERTOLINE.

- R. S. Benson

LOOP -

We lost another good agent when S. SLOWIK took his pension on June 1 after 33 years of service. He was so happy, he picked up his alarm clock and threw it out the window. Now he and his wife are going to stay up and watch the late, late movies. We all wish Mr. and Mrs. Slowik good luck, good health, and many happy years of retirement. On May 14, he also celebrated his birthday and we hope he has many, many more...Belated birthday wishes to Agent E. SEGERSON who celebrated on May 8...The Lake Street agents were very happy to see Janitors E. SCHULTZ and JIMMY CIVITO back on the line. Watch those booths sparkle, now...Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Pensioner FRANK CROSBY who recently passed away. Many of the old-timers called him "Big Frank", and he was a person who had a host of friends among the agents, janitors, and passengers. One of his best friends was Janitor O. BUCHANAN who is still with us. Frank's family would like to extend their thanks to all the agents and janitors for their kindness and sympathy at a time when it was really appreciated...It sure seems like a long time since Assignment Clerk JEAN WASHBURN left the company. We all hope you are enjoying your stay at home. Give us a call or stop in and say hello. We would love to see you now and then...Welcome back to Assignment Clerk BOB MALONEY who has been on the sick list...Agent BETTY TRIBBLE was off on May 14, her anniversary date with the company, and it really rained. Betty said, "Well, it felt good to be home, anyway."..It's really great to see Clerk JOE MARKOS back on the job with his cheerful hello and pleasant smile for everyone. But, Joe, did you have to break a leg just to get time off? We think you should say a few extra prayers when you go to church on Sundays. Here's hoping your leg doesn't cause you any more trouble. ..Janitor C. C. REDMOND looks younger every day, as if he never did a hard day's work in his life. It must be all those nice vacations to California that keep you so fit. He and his family just had a wonderful vacation in Jamaica. P.S.--We know you work hard in the Loop...Janitor R. McMILLIAN had a nice May vacation. He visited his mother in Alabama, which is a pretty place in the Spring...Congratulations to Agent DOROTHY ADLER who became a grandmother for the first time on May 1. The wee one was a little boy who weighed 7 pounds 4 ounces, and grandma is going to spoil him very fast...Agent MARY WIXTED has become a grandmother for the seventh time. This was a little different, though, as the first six were boys and this was a sweet little girl named JEANNE who was born in April to Mr. and Mrs. T. WIXTED. Jeanne was christened on May 17 at St. Domatilla's church in Hillside. Mary is very proud of her little granddaughter and said she has black hair and smiling Irish blue eyes. Don't spoil her too much, Mary...WANTED: at once if not sooner, automatic wheel chair in good condition. If you have one with no further use for it, please contact Foot Collector LAWRENCE D. LATHAM. He says his bones are creaking and they sound like they are rattling as he climbs the ramps. He is getting to be an old man before his time. Larry has all of three years of service. Will he make it to retirement day? For Father's Day, he received a nice strong rocking chair. So when you hear him singing "Old rocking chair's got me" you will understand. Our sympathy to Collector SCOTT who now has to do all the work. Don't feel bad, Scott, you are getting younger and Latham is getting older...Clerk JIM HARTIGAN received a big welcome back to the Lake Street office from a lot of trainmen, agents, and janitors. We all hope you are feeling better and will be around for awhile, now. All the agents say that Jim is a very pleasant person to talk to and always has a big smile for all...Someone was missing around the 54th office the week of May 10-16. We looked around and found that Chief Clerk JOHN CAROLAN was on a week's vacation. Hope you enjoyed the week, John, even if it did rain every day...The traffic supervisors' class sure looked happy on graduation day. Wait, who is that sharp looking little fellow, first row, fourth from the left? Agent Mary Wixted put on her thick glasses and said, "Oh, I think I know that young man." No kidding, you all looked great, and congratulations, Supervisor NAUGHTON, glad you made the grade...Former Agent SUE REDDING CAMERON had a darling baby boy on April 17 weighing 7 pounds. Mother and baby are well and the daddy is very proud. The baby's grandparents work for the CTA General Office, L. REDDING in the Claim Department, and R. REDDING in the Pension Department. Sue, her husband, and baby are now living in Detroit, Michigan. ..So sorry to hear that Agent ANN SMAGON has a broken leg. At this writing Ann is at home taking it easy. We all wish you a speedy recovery.

- Mildred Doyle

MILWAUKEE, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

There is an old saying, "Old golfers never die, they just fade away," but GRACE MOUNTS, former North Section reporter, didn't even fade away. She transferred to the West Side and joined KATY MORIARTY in writing the Milwaukee, Lake and Douglas news for the agents...We are all sorry to hear about PATRICIA HALLAHAN's accident and hope she will have a speedy recovery. Pat works in Public Information and is the daughter of Superintendent J. P. HALLAHAN. . . Night Superintendent BILL LIMANOWSKI, Congress and Douglas, lost his aunt who was like a mother to him. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Bill and his family...ED RHODE is taking a two-week vacation in Larsen, Wisconsin, where he will visit his stepsons and do a little fishing on the Wolf river...Student Agent VYTO RAMONIS had a birthday on May 22. Hope it was a happy one. ..KAREN MORIARTY, the sister of co-reporter KATY MORIARTY, was graduated from Visitation High school and taken on a two-week trip to Los Angeles by Katy to visit their two brothers as a graduation present. I sure wish I had a sister like that...Congratulations to DELL HARRINGTON, Montrose Station, on her birthday, May 11. Hope she had an enjoyable day off as co-reporter GRACE MOUNTS did on May 23 when she celebrated 11 years with the company. . . Our deepest sympathy to DANDY and BARBARA THOMPSON on the loss of their baby girl...Congratulations

to DIANNA EDGERSON who was in the Opera Passion Play at the American Conservatory of Music. She was also in a recital on May 23...Student Agent JOHN GRITIS, a student at DePaul university, is leaving CTA after five years... LAWRENCE GRYGIEL, former employe now attending DePaul university, attended a Good Counsel prom on May 8 at the Orrington hotel in Evanston, and spent the weekend in Lake Geneva and went to the Playboy club...We are all glad to see Collector TOM RAPP back to work after being off for six weeks due to surgery...BETTY RUSSO spent two weeks vacationing in Sarasota, Florida, visiting her sister. She said she had a wonderful time and hopes to do it again sometime. . . FRED FRIEB had a birthday on May 8 but didn't say how old he was. Hope he enjoyed it...VIRGINIA TOTCKE, Spaulding Station, would like to thank all who sent cards and gifts during her illness. Virginia's daughter, Sister PHYLLIS TOTCKE, received her masters degree in psychology from Loyola university while she was off sick...LILLIAN CONROY is recuperating at home from a heart attack. Good luck and hurry back, Lillian...CLIFFORD HINTON and JAMES MACON resigned to join the reserves...JOHN SAMAAN was in Missouri recently where he represented the University of Chicago at a model United Nations convention. He said he had a wonderful time with the female delegates. John has now graduated, receiving a degree in engineering...MARY WIXTED had a new granddaughter on April 25...ANN SMAGON had the misfortune of breaking her leg. Here's hoping she will have a speedy recovery. . . Congratulations to the new Assignment Agent Trainees: MARY GALLAGHER, MARY HURDLE, LILA WHITE, KAREN DOMINO, and SHEILA MURPHY. Hope you all make the grade. . . MARY STANCZYK wishes to thank everyone for the cards, calls, and good wishes during her illness, with special thanks to DOROTHY PARKER and her family. . . Agent HELEN GREZELAK, Loop, will be known as Ginger Rogers from now on. . . ARLENE SWANSON is a grandma again. Her daughter-in-law had a baby boy, BARRY JOHN, on March 30 weighing 7 pounds 10 ounces... Congratulations to Jefferson Park Trainman RONALD A. SENO and his wife, CONSTANCE, on the birth of their new addition, RONALD Jr., on March 12. . . Your co-reporter, GRACE MOUNTS, her husband, two daughters, and granddaughter went to the tulip festival in Holland, Michigan... JIM THOMAS, former reporter from the North Section and now a manager at Illinois Bell Telephone company, was graduated from Roosevelt university where he received a degree in mathematics...P.S.--Anyone with news may contact Grace Mounts at Ext. 2515 (Addison) from 3-11 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

- Grace Mounts & Katy Moriarty

NORTH AVENUE -

Operator ARCHIE VALENTINE and his wife, HENRIETTA, celebrated their 22nd wedding anniversary on June 20. They are taking a trip to the Ozarks. Operator ABRAHAM MORGAN and his wife, SHEILA, celebrated their 11th wedding anniversary on May 16. They enjoyed themselves at the Palmer House. Congratulations to all. Abraham's daughter, CYNTHIA ANN, celebrated her first holy communion. He is now a resident of Oak Park and plans to welcome one and all at an open house...Operator PETER MADIA reports that his fishing school was a huge success last year. Those who attended report that their fishing has improved. He won't reveal his fishing secrets unless you attend his school. . . We received several welcome letters

AN HONOR student, MICHAEL R. HANNIGAN, the son of RICHARD HANNIGAN, painter, South Shops, and the brother of PATRICK HANNIGAN, Reproduction Services, has received an appointment to the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Mike was also the Junior Mayor of Chicago in 1969.

from pensioners. BILL ECHOLS is well and happy and still thinks there's no place like Hot Springs. ART MOILANEN and his wife, BETTY, tell us the fishing at Lanse, Michigan, has been slow all winter. They're hoping the rainbow season will be better. VIGGO WINDFELD sends his regards to all. He tells us that his brother, Pensioner AXEL WINDFELD, celebrated his 81st birthday March 13. We send him our belated best wishes. He worked as a conductor out of North Avenue and out of Kedzie. He retired in 1954. LARS "Ernest" PEARSON and his wife, ANNA, bought a 15-foot Star Craft and Johnson motor. They got some badly needed rain. The late HANK RICHTER, retired foreman of Keeler Garage, stopped to visit Lars shortly before he passed away. Hank was building a home on Bull Shoals Dam. Lars sends a "hello" to all...Pensioner ERNEST BOCK and his wife, EMILY, enjoyed a visit from their daughter, JOAN, and her family. Ernie still fishes a lot and I hope to join him soon. Pensioner JOHN SENKO stopped by to say "hello". He's living in Mt. Prospect enjoying the cleaner air...Supervisor BILL GILLIES vacationed at Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Station Superintendent FRANK BUETOW and his wife returned from a vacation in Arizona, plus a short jaunt to Canada. Night Superintendent WILLIAM MOSER and the feminine members of his family, daughter KATHY and her mom, visited BILL MOSER Jr. at Fort Leonard Wood where he is a member of the armed forces. They all enjoyed the reunion. We pray for his safety and that he will soon be home. William tells us that the speed limit in Missouri is 70 mph going up or down hill. Clerks ED WITEK and JACK HESTER interrupted their vacations to come back for the clerks' pick. AL RHODE had to commute between Chicago and you-know-where in Wisconsin for the same reason. Sorry, boys, better luck next time. Genial FRANK ZABOROWSKI is telling all about the fish he caught and the ones that got away. Switchboard Operator WALTER BLIX had his vacation work cut out for him. His better half, VIRGINIA, was seen buying wallpaper, paint, brushes, rollers, etc. Sometimes you can't win for losing. Operator CHARLES STROKIS vacationed at Fremont, Wisconsin. He hooked over 58 white bass and one sturgeon which looked like 60 pounds and was 5 feet long. He had it on his line for 45 minutes. He had to release it, the season was closed. Tough luck, Charlie. He is now the owner of a new all-weather Amphicat that goes in swamps, sand, snow, or water. In the month of May and June, Operator BERNY PEARSON and his wife, CELE, will be spending their vacation travelling around the world. From New York, the first port of call is Lisbon, Portugal,

recent deaths

ALLEN ABERNATHY, 58, North Park,
Emp. 9-26-40, Died 5-25-70
FRANK J. ARCHIBALD, 81, Wilson Avenue,
Emp. 11-15-27, Died 4-23-70
SAM J. BACCIOCCO, 84, West Section,
Emp. 3-23-42, Died 4-9-70
ALFRED H. BAKER, 76, West Shops,
Emp. 5-21-25, Died 3-28-70
IRA G. BASHAM, 49, North Park,
Emp. 2-10-47, Died 4-26-70
JOHN B. BECKER, 77, South Section,
Emp. 7-6-10, Died 4-15-70
JOHN L. BERNASKY, 85, 69th Street,
Emp. 1-29-15, Died 4-5-70
LOUIS M. BIELSKI, 58, Accounting,
Emp. 5-15-46, Died 4-7-70
CLARA L. BRADLEY, 84, 61st Street,
Emp. 12-27-33, Died 4-1-70
GEORGE BROWN, 84, 77th Street,
Emp. 2-1-27, Died 2-26-70
VICTOR P. BROWN, 69, West Section,
Emp. 1-14-27, Died 4-3-70
JAMES M. BRUEN, 56, West Section,
Emp. 10-26-45, Died 3-25-70
OTTO M. CARLSON, 74, North Park,
Emp. 3-21-25, Died 3-30-70
STANLEY F. CENTER, 64, Keeler,
Emp. 7-22-33, Died 4-6-70
JULIUS F. COSBY, 69, West Section,
Emp. 11-11-43, Died 4-24-70
MARY DALTON, 80, West Section,
Emp. 6-7-44, Died 3-23-70
GIRARD T. DONAHUE, 58, Schedule-Traffic,
Emp. 9-10-34, Died 4-22-70
JAMES J. DURR, 63, Forest Park,
Emp. 11-6-23, Died 4-2-70
GEORGE H. EDWARDS, 71, Archer,
Emp. 2-21-23, Died 3-23-70
PATRICK J. FOLEY, 77, Kedzie,
Emp. 9-11-18, Died 3-31-70
HARVEY C. GERARD, 63, 77th Street,
Emp. 5-29-41, Died 4-30-70
SPURGEON GIBSON, 65, West Section,
Emp. 5-10-44, Died 4-26-70
PAUL GRZAC, 75, Track,
Emp. 4-23-29, Died 3-7-70
RALPH GUNDERSON, 80, North Ave.,
Emp. 5-3-16, Died 4-25-70
ALBERT E. HEDIN, 70, Limits,
Emp. 3-19-34, Died 2-21-70
LILA H. HODGES, 79, West Section,
Emp. 8-30-37, Died 3-7-70
KAZMER F. HOJNACKI, 72, North Avenue,
Emp. 2-25-24, Died 3-17-70
HOWARD L. HOUSTON, 70, North Section,
Emp. 11-25-25, Died 4-28-70
EUGENE J. HOWARD, 64, Beverly,
Emp. 8-30-26, Died 4-17-70
JOSEPH M. HUNTER, 79, Forest Glen,
Emp. 2-17-20, Died 3-8-70
HAROLD F. JEFFERIES, 56, District D,
Emp. 12-5-40, Died 5-20-70
MATTHEW V. JELINSKI, 76, 77th Street,
Emp. 10-11-28, Died 4-11-70
CHARLES F. KAHRER, 69, 77th Street,
Emp. 10-28-24, Died 4-9-70
LOUIS J. KALTSAS, 77, North Section,
Emp. 11-29-27, Died 4-2-70
GEORGE KAMINSKI, 54, 77th Street,
Emp. 11-17-43, Died 4-24-70
FRED KINDLE, 67, Lawndale,
Emp. 1-9-29, Died 4-25-70
MAE J. KOCH, 69, Accounting,
Emp. 11-27-44, Died 3-30-70
JOSEPH KORDEK, 75, 61st Street,
Emp. 11-14-22, Died 3-23-70
SOPHIA KUHLMANN, 88, West Section,
Emp. 7-5-09, Died 4-14-70

and a visit to Fatima. Then on to Madrid, Spain; Athens, Greece; and Tel Aviv, Israel; including a tour of Cannes, Nazareth, and Old Jerusalem. Next on the itinerary is Bombay, India, and an extra day to spend on the fabulous beaches. Next a shopping paradise for Cele which will be Hong Kong, China. Expo '70 is next and they will stay in Kyoto, Japan, where many ancient traditions are still observed. Another shopping spree for Cele will be Tokyo. Finally rest and relaxation in Honolulu, Hawaii, before flying home to Los Angeles...Our sympathy to Operator DON CARLSON who lost his mother, INA...Our thanks to Switchboard Operator WALTER BLIX for his help in getting news items for this column. I hope any of you who have news will pass it on to me, but anyone who submits an item must sign his name...We hope all of you enjoyed your long weekends, Memorial Day and the Fourth of July. Each year on Memorial Day we remember those who made the supreme sacrifice for our country in this war and those that have taken the lives of our young men in the past. We pray that by next Memorial Day this war, too, will be history and that our boys will be home to stay and we will have peace...

After bowling for 26 years in CSL and CTA leagues, Supervisor BARNEY KERPEN of District "C" finally won a championship. His team has often come in second or third, but never gave up and have now come in first in the '69-'70 season. Barney is team captain, other members are BOB GEISER of District "D" and STAN KANKA, CHESTER KUNOWSKI, LOU SCHUCART, and HANK JOURON.

- William Miedema

NORTH SECTION -

This is your new scribe, TINA HENKE, reporting. We wish to bid a fond farewell to our former reporter, GRACE MOUNTS, and a grateful thank you for the wonderful job she did as our Transit News reporter during the past three years. We shall all miss you, Grace, and we wish you good luck on the West Section...With the last pick we lost Agent EARL GILBERT who went West, and JANE JOHNSON who went to the South Section. A welcome back to LORRAINE ORR and JANICE WILLIAMS...We are glad to see Janitor

among employes

NEIL LAMONT, 90, 61st Street,
Emp. 5-12-23, Died 3-6-70
PIETRO LOCOCO, 92, Track,
Emp. 4-19-27, Died 3-19-70
JAMES R. LOFTUS, 68, 77th Street,
Emp. 4-9-29, Died 4-3-70
CARL G. MALM, 83, North Section,
Emp. 12-19-07, Died 12-29-69
JAMES MAREK, 84, Lawndale,
Emp. 11-19-18, Died 4-5-70
MICHAEL McDONAGH, 80, Kedzie,
Emp. 6-29-21, Died 2-28-70
FRANK McKEON, 86, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 4- -12, Died 3-13-70
NELS MJELDE, 81, North Section,
Emp. 12-16-19, Died 4-26-70
JOHN J. MULCAHY, 94, Kedzie,
Emp. 8-10-18, Died 3-12-70
MARY J. MURTAUGH, 82, South Section,
Emp. 5-2-07, Died 3-15-70
GEORGE W. NELSON, 75, Electrical,
Emp. 7-29-10, Died 2-18-70
GEORGE A. NOLAN, 71, 39th & Halsted,
Emp. 7-6-14, Died 4-15-70
THOMAS O'CONNOR, 69, South Shops,
Emp. 4-1-36, Died 3-24-70
MAURICE J. O'TOOLE, 69, South Shops,
Emp. 7-10-42, Died 3-22-70
JOSEPH POCHMAN, 86, Kedzie,
Emp. 7-20-18, Died 4-19-70
WILLIAM PRENDERGAST, 84, Armitage,
Emp. 8-12-12, Died 3-6-70
WILLIAM T. ROSER, 73, Real Estate,
Emp. 4-1-35, Died 4-19-70
EDWARD F. RYAN, 76, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 7-16-20, Died 3-24-70
LOUIS SANZ, 80, Devon,
Emp. 9-29-13, Died 3-1-70
KASPER SARKAUSKAS, 80, Lake Street,
Emp. 9-15-25, Died 3-23-70
SALVATORE SELVAGGIO, 65, Crawford Avenue,
Emp. 3-1-44, Died 4-9-70
ALFONSO SKROBUTANAS, 74, South Shops,
Emp. 11-18-37, Died 4-29-70
LEONARD F. SMENTEK, 73, Kimball,
Emp. 1-4-22, Died 3-18-70
MICHAEL P. SMIDERSKI, 50, Forest Glen,
Emp. 11-20-45, Died 4-5-70
WILLIAM J. SMITH, 76, West Section,
Emp. 1-18-37, Died 2-18-70
DORIS J. STAHL, 74, Accounting,
Emp. 10-10-24, Died 3-22-70
JOHN J. STANTON, 73, North Park,
Emp. 6-12-25, Died 4-10-70
JOHN STIGLICH, 77, Track,
Emp. 9-13-30, Died 4-1-70
OLIVER B. STRODTMAN, 74, Armitage,
Emp. 7-22-29, Died 3-27-70
EDWARD SWANSON, 82, Kedzie,
Emp. 9-19-23, Died 4-18-70
GUERDON VON OEHSEN, 56, Electrical,
Emp. 9-23-47, Died 5-16-70
WILBUR H. WAGENER, 68, South Section,
Emp. 11-28-44, Died 3-30-70
MAX WALDOCH, 63, North Park,
Emp. 2-18-35, Died 3-15-70
EDWARD F. WEINGARTNER, 59, Claim,
Emp. 10-11-33, Died 4-28-70
WALTER C. WILKE, 74, Limits,
Emp. 3-23-23, Died 3-5-70
EUGENE A. WISZOWATY, 38, Security,
Emp. 9-15-66, Died 5-10-70
RALPH J. WRISKA, 68, South Section,
Emp. 8-22-41, Died 3-3-70
JOHN WROBEL, 73, West Shops,
Emp. 2-12-37, Died 4-6-70
GUSTAF C. WYNGAERT, 85, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 2-20-20, Died 3-5-70

ANDY SMITH back at work. Andy was the victim of a hit and run accident and was off work for five weeks...We extend a hearty welcome to three new agents: E. HOFFMAN from the surface, D. DAVIS, and L. VEASLEY...Congratulations to JERRY LALLY on her recent marriage. She is now Mrs. CLARK. Also, her husband was the winner of a college scholarship. Jerry says that this was wonderful and she is so happy. Lots of luck to them both...Our sympathy and condolences to BETTY FIFE and her brother, JOHN McCONVILLE, on the death of their grandmother who was 99 years of age. On May 9 Betty's son, RONNY, celebrated his first communion...On June 19 Betty added one more candle to her birthday cake as did your scribe on May 19. "Tis a shame that youth passes on."..Belated birthday greetings to Assistant Superintendent T. D. BOYLE. We hope he enjoyed his day off. Also birthday greetings to CHARLIEMAE GRIFFIN and THOMAS CAMERON...Foot Collector JOE GOLDBERG spent his vacation south of the border. Hey, Joe, how was the Mexican tequila? Ah, beautiful Acapulco...Congratulations to Superintendent BRUCKER on the birth of his fifth grandchild, BRIAN McCANN, born on April 19...Agent SCHUMPP received an honorable mention and a gift certificate from the CTA suggestion committee. How about some of you other agents, got any ideas? . . We were sorry to learn of the passing of Retired Conductor HOWARD L. HOUSTON on April 28 in Moores Hill, Indiana. He had worked the North Section for 36 years until his retirement in 1961. We extend our sympathy to his widow and family...At this writing your new scribe is still in the hospital. I would like to thank those who have called, visited, and sent me get well cards. If anyone has any news for this magazine, I can be contacted at Chicago and State, 3 to 11 p.m. Also my husband, GEORGE, will take your news at the Howard and Kimball offices.

- Tina Henke

NORTH PARK -

The Little Flower communion and breakfast service held in March was well received and attended by the men

of North Park. Leading the group attending were Pensioners JOE GRASSL, JOHN KARASEK, MIKE PHILBIN, DAN MALONEY, ROY RAPP, DONALD GILL, JOE VAN DEN EEDEN, TONY GRANAHAN, and NICK MUENCHEN. Mrs. FLORENCE KOZIAL won a beautiful statue in the door prize drawing...With the coming of the college students, your help and consideration will be appreciated by the instruction force. The hiring of these boys makes summer vacations possible for most of us, so let's give them a hand...The following personnel from North Park won beautiful door prizes at the 18th annual dinner of the Friends of Assumption church held Tuesday, April 14, at the M&M Club in the Merchandise Mart: Operators LEN BAEUCHLER, MORT LIBERT, RAY MIJANOVICH, WALTER STEINBEISS, and MEL HORNING...Congratulations are extended to Instructor WALTER STEINBEISS who has entered his 25th year in a supervisory capacity with CTA... Operator KAZ YAWORSKI has a Skamper trailer which sleeps eight people and is available for anyone needing a trailer this summer...Pensioner MARTIN DEVANEY and his wife, PEGGY, were guests of Pensioner ART and RUTH MUIR of Forsyth, Missouri, and enjoyed every minute of their stay...Pensioner MAURICE MARTIN and his wife, AGNES, spent four days with Pensioner FRANK HESS and his wife, MYRTLE, of Forsyth, Missouri. Maurice and Agnes were very impressed with the beauty of the Ozark country...Operator LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRAYCE, vacationed in Florida. On the agenda were visits to Tampa, St. Petersburg, Key West, and Ft. Lauderdale... Utility Chauffeur STEVE HERMAN and his wife, HELEN, relaxed for ten days at their beautiful home in Forsyth, Missouri. Steve reports that the trout fishing was excellent...Pensioner HARVEY GEHMAN and his wife, INGEBORG, were visitors in Chicago to see their children and nine grandchildren. Harvey, a resident of Highlandville, Iowa, says the fishing is excellent and invites his many friends to stop by and try their luck...Operator JIM DOLAN and his wife, RITA, vacationed at Eureka Springs, Arkansas. Visits with Pensioner FRANK HESS and Mrs. KATIE GOSCH were on the agenda...Operator SEYMOUR STEINBERG and his wife, DOROTHY, spent two weeks at Cajon, California, where their son, JOEL, and his new bride, LINDA, reside. A visit to an ice cream parlor in La Mesa, California, which is styled in 1890 decor and will mix any concoction that you order, along with old fashioned barrels of candy, was most enjoyed. The Steinbergs also spent four days in Las Vegas where they stayed at the Hacienda hotel...At this writing, Operator and Board Member TEX ABERNATHY is hospitalized in San Antonio, Texas, and our prayers are with Tex for a speedy recovery...Operator FRANK VON SCHWEDLER, who is captain of Meiszner Shed House Bowling team, led the team to first place in the fourth district VFW bowling tournament with a total of 2,892 pins...KENNETH PAOLI, the son of Operator GINO PAOLI, made a trip to Washington, D.C., with a group of students from De Paul university. Ken also made the deans list at De Paul where he is majoring in music... CAROLYN SUE RHINES, the daughter of Operator TEX RHINES, was graduated from Lubbock, Texas, Senior High school on June 27. Carolyn's future plans include being married shortly...SP4 ROBERT NEWTON, the son of Operator EDGAR NEWTON, was named soldier of the month at his base in Okinawa where he is a printer for the U.S. Army...JOHN SPRINGER, the son of Operator EDWARD SPRINGER, is going to be a counselor at the Mickey Owen Baseball school, located at Miller, Missouri. Anyone interested in facts about the school may contact John at 298-5872...Pensioner MIKE PARK and his wife, GLADYS, were honored at a retirement and birthday party hosted by their granddaughter, MARIANNE, and friends in Glenview. Our best wishes are extended to this fine couple in their years of retirement... KENNETH ROBERT POSNER, the son of Operator SAM and ETHEL POSNER, was graduated on June 12 from Southern Illinois university. Following graduation, Kenneth was married on June 21 to Miss ARLENE ROBINSON at the Hyatt House hotel in Lincolnwood, Illinois. Congratulations to the Posners and the newlyweds...JOHN COSGROVE Jr. was married on Saturday, May 16, to Miss SUSAN COLLISON at St. Ann's church in Arcadia, Iowa. The reception was held in Arcadia with 250 guests attending. The young couple will reside in Chicago...Operator JOE SCALETTO and his wife, DOREEN, became parents on March 1 when a son named JOHN DANIEL was born. John Daniel's grandfather is Operator TOM CONROY... Operator REIMAR PIELSTROM and his wife, GISELA, became parents of their third child when a son named NORMAN was born on March 22 at Weiss Memorial hospital... Laborer TOM NEWELL and his wife, MARY, became parents of their third child when a daughter named NOREEN JOSEPHINE was born on March 25 at St. Elizabeth hospital...Operator ELI PESTINE and his wife, RUTH, became grandparents for the second time when their daughter, LOIS MILSTEIN, gave birth to a daughter named BETH, born April 8 at Skokie Valley hospital...Operator BEN NEUMAN returned to work in March after being off six months with a broken leg.

Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Pensioner BEN GEACH and his wife, RUTH, their 49th; Pensioner JOE GRASSL and his wife, FLORENCE, their 48th; Operator PETE DOLAN and his wife, ROSLEEN, their 12th; Operator LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRAYCE, their 32nd; Operator JIM RENTSCHLER and his wife, HAZEL, their 30th; Operator BERNIE KONIARSKI and his wife, GERTRUDE, their 23rd; Operator MARVIN SALMANOFF and his wife, ETHELYN, their 5th; Operator RICHARD HALLIGAN and his wife, JOE, their 25th, and Supervisor RON MICKELS and his wife, JOANN, their 13th... Happy birthdays are extended to the following: Operators TEX RHINES and SAM POSNER, Pensioner JOE EIFFES, DAN KAZAR, ETHEL POSNER, MARTIN STERN, BETHEL KIRKWOOD, ROSALEEN DOLAN, and Mrs. HALL... Our sympathy and condolences are extended to President of Division 241 WARREN SCHOLL on the loss of his father, Mr. HERMAN SCHOLL; to Operator ED BOWLER on the loss of his beloved wife, Mrs. BOWLER; to the family of Pensioner GEORGE HOFFMAN, and to the family of LOUIS BIELSKI. ..Golfers remember the date--Monday, July 13, at St. Andrews Golf club. Division 241 annual golf day will be held on this date and we are looking forward to all golfers participating in this fine event...Need cash for that vacation? See JOHN, TONY, or DALE at the credit union office and they will be happy to provide you and yours with ready cash... Garage Chit Chat--GAIL KARCH, the daughter of Assistant Foreman ANDY KARIOLICH, flew a 747 to Hong Kong to spend an R&R vacation with her husband, Captain EDWARD KARCH, who is serving as a dentist with the U.S. Army in Viet Nam... Assistant Foreman JOE COUGHLIN worked on his vacation decorating and remodeling his new apartment... Foreman CHARLEY DUNNE spent his two-week vacation fishing at the Foster avenue beach where he caught many perch and ten cohos weighing three pounds and up. Having received a coho from Mr. Dunne, I will vouch for his fine catch...Enjoying spring vacations were the

MARGARET THERESA ROBINSON, the daughter of MARGARET A. ARCHER, General Office switchboard operator, an honor student at Visitation High school was graduated on May 31 and plans to enter Eastern Illinois university in the fall majoring in elementary education.

following: JAMES McPARTLAND, FRANK CIONE, LEN TROJANOWSKI, GENE BRACK, JIM MARTIN, BOB LORENTZ, PAUL SCHREVES, and ANDY KARIOLICH...Repairman TED KUTA retired on May 1 and was honored with a fine party and gift at the garage. Ted is now going to devote considerable time to fishing...The sympathy of the garage is extended to the family of Repairman IRA BASHAM. ..Commendations are extended to the entire garage crew for the clean appearance and efficient operation of our buses. . . Still off sick and recovering satisfactorily are FRANK CAHILL and MIKE O'MALLEY...ROBERT R. BAKANOWICZ, the son of Repairman BUCK BAKANOWICZ, was married on Saturday, June 20, to Miss MARGARET HEIDORN of Crystal Lake at the Crystal Lake Lutheran church. A reception followed and was attended by 350 guests. They honeymooned in Tokyo and Osaka, Japan, where they visited Expo '70...FRED BARTOLAI, while enroute to the stock clerks' meeting at 77th Shops, had the misfortune of receiving a traffic ticket...Repairman BUCK BAKANOWICZ for the tenth consecutive year led the American Legion parade in Wauconda, Illinois. Sergeant Buck makes a striking figure out in front of this patriotic group.

- Melvin Horning

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

ART ROEPKE and his wife, FLORENCE, flew to Denver, Colorado, for their vacation. They went to Estes Park, Rock Garden, and many other places doing a lot of sightseeing. During their trip the weather was very nice and the scenery was beautiful. The main reason they chose Denver was to see their first grandchild, DANA LEE, who was born on St. Patrick's day and is the daughter of DALE, Art's son. Both grandparents loved being with and holding the new baby. Congratulations on joining the ranks of grandparents...BRUNO GORSKI and his wife, STELLA, decided to treat themselves and really celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. They and their daughter, LINDA, drove to Fort Lauderdale, then to Miami, and flew to Montego Bay in Jamaica. Here they spent about nine days touring the beautiful country. They went to a white sandy beach called Doctor's beach for a day of swimming and sun. Guess who got sunburned that day? If you said Bruno, you're right. The temperature was in the 80's and 90's every day, with only one day of rain. No matter where they went or what time of day it was there was always music being played. It was a wonderful vacation, one they won't forget for a long time. Congratulations and best wishes on your silver anniversary. . . CARL LARSEN and his wife drove to Sarasota, Florida, where they stayed for one week. The next stop was Fort Lauderdale by the sea for another week of relaxing in the sun and visiting with friends. Their return trip was made by way of Cape Kennedy and through Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, taking in many other sights. The weather and the vacation were very nice...JOE VODVARKA and his wife, MARILYN, went to the Chula Vista Resort in the Wisconsin Dells for a weekend of round and square dancing. This was the second year they attended this large get-together of square dancers. They had a wonderful time dancing and being with both old friends and new friends...AUDREY PETERSON and her husband, HOWARD, drove to Marinette, Peshtigo, and Bonduel, Wisconsin, visiting with some cousins for a few days. They spent the balance of the week at Ephriam in Dorr County, and finally picked the right time to see the cherry blossoms. It was a nice and relaxing week just visiting, eating in some very nice restaurants, and stopping at different places of interest...Your scribe went to her second home for a two-week vacation. For those who don't know, the place I'm speaking of is in North Miami, Florida, with JACK and WANDA KRAUSE. The weather was absolutely beautiful and I didn't miss a day of swimming, either in the pool or ocean, and many days both. One day BILL BUCKNER, District "B", KAY McGLYNN, her cousin, HELEN, WANDA, and I went fishing. It was a very nice day and we all caught fish. As usual, I visited with my friends and also got together with LEE DeSUTTER and her husband, FRANK, for an evening of fun. It was another great vacation...We would like to welcome ELKE A. MILANETTO, clerk-steno, to the Transportation Department and also to the CTA. We are happy to have you with us and wish you the best of luck...Line Supervisor JAMES LUVISI recently underwent surgery. We extend our best wishes for a speedy and complete recovery.

(Traffic Planning) -

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. HAROLD ROWBOTTOM, the proud parents of a baby boy. TIMOTHY PAUL was born on April 12 and weighed 7 pounds 1½ ounces. With the arrival of the new baby, they now have eight children, five boys and three girls...JIM TOOLIS was a participant in the CTA Spring Golf Tournament on May 16. He must have had the form, the swing, and maybe a little luck because he came in first place winning the tournament with a net low of 68. His prize was a very nice golf cart. Congratulations on winning and also some fine shooting.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

Our sympathy is extended to D. JANE BELL and her husband, GEORGE, on the loss of Jane's father, GEORGE W. STRAMPE, who passed away on May 11. Services were held in Janesville, Wisconsin, on Thursday, May 14. MARY JANE HARNETT, who works at Skokie Shops, came downtown to fill in for D. Jane Bell while she was on vacation. We want you to know that it was nice to have you with us.

- Colette Syczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Hello, we're JOHN GILL and CATHY RASCHICK, the new Transit News reporters for the department. We hope you enjoy reading our first column, and we also hope to

PICTURED HERE is JUDY GAZINSKI, the pretty daughter of Mechanic CHESTER GAZINSKI, Keeler, who was graduated on June 7 from Alvernia High school. Judy plans to work for the Lake View Trust and Savings bank for the summer.

hear from each one of you so you can be included in the next issue...IRENE HERMAN of the Purchasing Department became ill while vacationing in New York with her daughter, but she still managed to enjoy herself. Good to see you back, Irene, and feeling well...H. A. FULLRIEDE of the Specifications Department became a grandfather for the fourth time. RICHARD was born on April 5 and weighed 8 pounds 13 ounces...FRANK and LEE DeSUTTER of Specifications spent a four-week vacation in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, visiting with several former CTA employes, namely, ELEANOR and GEORGE KYNASTON of South Shops, WANDA KRAUSE, former switchboard operator in the Mart, JACK KRAUSE of Operations Control, and ED DEVINE and his wife, who retired from the Purchasing Department. The Devines have a lovely condominium in Pompano Beach overlooking the ocean. Glad you had a wonderful time. . . Another Specifications employe, JILL MISE, spent a one-week vacation in Acapulco, Mexico. It proved to be very interesting, for she went scuba diving and deep-sea fishing. You've got courage, Jill...Guess who went to Baltimore, Maryland? FRANK MAGUIRE of Specifications and his wife visited his daughter and son-in-law at Fort Holabird in Baltimore. Also included in their trip was a stop at Washington, D.C...Stores Department Order Clerk in the Mart, KEVIN BARRETT, is back with us after minor surgery at Northwest Community hospital...Recuperating at home is MARGE HANSON, after being off for quite some time from the Purchasing Department. We hope to see her very soon...A new addition to the Stores Department is a cheerful young lady named KATHLEEN McATEER. She replaced JILL MISE, who transferred to the Specifications Department...Mr. J. T. HARTY, superintendent of Stores Department, enjoyed a week's vacation fishing. He came back rocking his chair like he was still in a boat.

WILLIAM EARL WILCOX, South Shops, retired on early retirement effective June 1. He has been with the CTA Stores Department for over 40 years. We will certainly miss him...BOB ADLER, Storeroom 59, became a father for the first time on May 1. The Adlers named the baby GUSTAVE FREDRICK. Good luck to Bob and the rest of the family. Hope you have a hundred more - babies, I mean...JACKIE HUIZENGA, Stores Department Office at the South Shops, became engaged to TOM McLEAN on May 8. Wedding bells should be heard in September of this year. Congratulations to both of you...KENNETH SIPICH left the Stores Department, South Shops, after being drafted in the Army on May 13...We are sorry to hear that WILLIAM McGOVERN, Stores Department, South Shops, is in St. George's hospital after becoming ill while on vacation. Hope he's recuperating in the best of spirits...Now for some news up at Skokie Shops. BEN CUTRERA retired on May 1 after being with the CTA for almost 29 years... PAUL JANKOWSKI is celebrating his first anniversary home from Viet Nam. We understand he is very happy about this. Why, Paul? Viet Nam is supposed to be very beautiful.

- Cathy Raschick & John Gill

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

GEORGE JOHANNES and his wife flew to Hawaii for two weeks and they had wonderful vacation weather...W. P. DEVEREUX flew to Washington to meet his daughter, Sister MARGARET, and KATHLEEN WILKINS, two teachers from Chattanooga...RUTH HAVLIK, her sister, and their mother motored to Washington to visit with another sister...JOE DeGRAZIA and his wife drove to Arkansas and enjoyed the beautiful weather and baths, as did ED JURIC and his wife...We welcome TOM SCHRODT, a trainee, in the Schedule Department...Pensioners JIM and GERTRUDE ANDERSON visited the office...GEORGE HANUS became a grandfather for the third time when his daughter-in-law had a baby girl. KENNETH MAREK was a grandfather for the fifth time when his daughter, Mrs. JOSEPH PINNELLO, gave birth to her first baby, a boy. Congratulations...We wish MARIE SHUMAN, formerly of the Schedule Department, a long and happy retirement...Sympathy of the department is extended to the family of G. T. DONAHUE who passed away suddenly.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

It was a beautiful day and a beautiful wedding, April 25, when CATHERINE ANN HARNETT and HUGH HEGARTY were joined in holy matrimony at the Queen of All Saints basilica. A reception was held later at Roscoe hall where everyone had a wonderful time. Catherine and Hugh spent their honeymoon in the Bahamas. Our best wishes for a long and happy life together...Sporting a new 1970 Buick Skylark is Electrical Apprentice ROY SUAREZ...Newest member of the GARY WILSON family is PATRICIA LYNN who was born at St. Mary of Nazareth hospital on May 2. Gary is an electrical worker. Gary and his wife have three other girls, which includes a set of twins...Our best wishes for a speedy recovery to ANDRES HODOWANIC, machinist, who at this writing is in intensive care at St. Alexis hospital in Elk Grove Village.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

All in favor of summer say Aye! Aye!-Can hardly wait until summer gets here...Our second system pick went into effect on April 5, so hello to all the new trainmen, agents, janitors, and returnees transferred to the South Section, and goodbye (for the time being) to all the ones who transferred out. We really had a turnover of employes...Collector DEWITT LILLARD was grinning from ear to ear when he told us about the birth of his first child, a boy, JOHN DEWITT, born March 29...One more of our South

Siders was promoted to Supervisor, Motorman LYLE DERANSBURG. Good luck on your new career. . . Motorman ALEX KOMIS and his wife had a nice spring vacation relaxing on the sands of sunny Miami Beach, Florida...The men at 61st Street gave a going away get-together for two of our finest conductors who went on pension April 1, MOSES GILES and PHAROAH (Mother-in-law) CAIN. The delightful Mrs. CAIN came down also to join in the festivities and brought a huge homemade cake. The "yummies" were as good as ever. Everyone hates to see them go, but wishes them the best of everything and an enjoyable pension...Congratulations and a happy marital life is wished to Agent DOROTHY BATES who was recently married and is now Mrs. DOROTHY RHYMES...Back to work off the sick list are: Conductors JOHN KALTSAS and STANLEY ZIELINSKI, Yard Foreman WALLACE BROWN, Switchman JAMES CALDWELL, and Collector PATRICK FLYNN... Going on pension April 1 was Agent CECELIA MORAN. All her passengers and fellow employes will sure miss her smiling face. Good wishes are extended to Cecelia on her retirement...Good, good news--Yard Foreman JOHN LEMKE is now home from the hospital and recuperating nicely. Here's hoping, John, it won't be long until you are well once more...The Pensioned Agents Spring Dinner was held on April 5 at the Beverly Woods restaurant and a large crowd attended. Newly pensioned Agent Cecelia Moran was at the dinner and everyone gave her greetings on her retirement. A moment of prayer was offered for Retired Agent MARY MURTAUGH who passed away recently. Some of the Pensioners who were there are: Agents SARAH McEVOY, MAE DRISCOLL, HAZEL DUNN, CATHERINE COLLINS, and KAREN FRIDDLE, Towerman PAT HICKEY, Conductor JERRY HANAFIN, Supervisors BOB BROWN and ED MUNRO, and Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS. It was a delightful evening...Congratulations to Motorman GREGORY WILLIAMS whose wife presented him with a baby girl, ANTOINETTE MARIE, born on March 14. This is the first child for the happy Williams family...Our South Section is getting better all the time. As you know, 61st Street won the Interstation Safety Contest Award for the fourth quarter of 1969, and now Ashland Avenue won the I.S.C. Award for the first quarter of 1970 and also reduced their accident record from 14 to 12. They were presented with a plaque by Mr. G. RILEY, superintendent of Operating Stations, on April 30. Free coffee and rolls were served and a drawing was held and several prizes were won by the Ashland men. Keep up the wonderful work...Two of our pensioners lost their beloved wives recently, and our sincere sympathy goes out to Retired Switchman FRED McDOLE and Retired Motorman CHARLES McMORROW (who lives in Mt. Home, Arkansas).

THIS IS lovely EUGENIA ANN BRACH, the daughter of Repairman GENE and ROSE BRACH, North Park, who recently announced her engagement to Mr. RICHARD BIGGS of Plainfield, Wisconsin. No date for the wedding has been set.

The BOB ROESINGS, superintendent of agents and janitors, drove down to Clearwater, Florida, to visit with his folks, the GEORGE ROESINGS, retired superintendent of operating stations. They are well and send their best regards back to all their friends in Chicago...Agent SAUNDRA BATTLES wishes to thank all her co-workers for their kindnessess when her mother passed away recently... Retired Conductor ALFRED GREENAWALT and his wife who live in Murphy, North Carolina, came to Chicago for a couple weeks for a visit. Al came to 61st Street to see everyone. He looks just wonderful and loves North Carolina. He said the scenery is just beautiful and the fishing real good...Hi to newly hired Agents DOROTHY BALLARD, DIANE SIMS, CYNTHIA LEWIS, DELOIS TURNER, SELENA GOLDEN, and PHYLLIS WINSTON, and to the transferee from the Surface Division, Agent ROSCOE SPOONER, and re-hired Agent BARBARA HAMILTON. Also "hi" to Janitor ROBERT WEAVER who transferred from trainman and to newly-hired Janitor WILLIE THOMAS. . . Retired Motorman CARL FISCHER was down in Florida recently for a visit. Our pensioners sure do get around...Agent ANN O'CONNOR, who was recently in the hospital, is now home. Everyone sends best wishes to Ann for a quick recovery. . . A proud and happy father was Yard Foreman ERNEST SANDERS when he reported the birth of his third boy, DANA DELAN, born on April 11...A thank you note from Agent VELMA HUSBAND to all her co-workers for their expression of sympathy when her sister passed away in Detroit...Retired Switchman ROBERT JOHNSTON, who lived in St. Petersburg, Florida, passed away recently and he was brought back here for burial. He had fallen and fractured his hip and had been in the hospital before passing away. Our condolences to Mrs. JOHNSTON and the family...We at 61st Street are all going to miss Shop Clerk JIM DALEY who went on pension April 1. He is going to live in Florida with his brother. The very best of everything is wished Jim. . . Pensioned Conductor JOHN GEARY passed away recently. Our condolences to his family...My hubby, ROLAND, and I attended the Metropolitan West Side Credit Union Dinner at Nielsen's restaurant on the North Side during March and we had a lovely time. We saw and talked to many people we haven't seen in a long time. Sorry we were not able to attend the North Side Credit Union Dinner, but we both had the flu at that time... Another little boy made his entrance into this world of ours, MARLIN LeVELLE COMMEAUX, born on May 11. Papa is Conductor STACEY COMMEAUX. This makes two children for the Commeaux family. . . Retired Conductor HARRY ANTONION and Collector RAY NORMAN stopped in at 61st Street recently for a visit and both men were feeling good and enjoying their pensions...Some more passenger commendations have come in for our employes: Agent ARNETTA JACKSON has received two of them, one for giving passengers the correct directions, and one for the efficient manner in which she performs her duties, and Conductor GEORGE BANKS received one for helping a passenger who was lost...Yard Foreman FRANK CALPIN had the bad luck of falling and breaking his ankle during our last snow storm. Here's hoping he is able to get back to work soon. Also a speedy, speedy recovery is wished Janitor CLARENCE THOMAS who is also on the sick list... Hey! All you South Siders. How about joining the South

Side Credit Union. You know it's nice to have a little nest egg put away for next Christmas or for a vacation next year. Contact your credit union officer at Ashland Avenue. Let's build up the South Side credit union...The CTA Rapid Transit Soft Ball Team in the Grant Park Industrial League, sponsored by Division 308, plays ball games every Wednesday night at 6:45 p.m. at Grant Park just north of the band shell. The team is managed by North Section Clerk ERVIN HARMON and coached by South Section Motorman JOE RAYBURN. Come on gang, how about coming out and watching the ball games, and rooting them on to first place this year.

- Verna Hartney

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Best wishes to JAMES F. DALY who retired on April 1 after 28 years of service. Jim, who started out as a truckman's helper, was shop clerk at 61st Street...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES TOWNSEND, Dan Ryan, on the birth of their first child, a baby girl, on March 29. Best wishes to all...Mr. and Mrs. PAUL LOVELESS, Dan Ryan, became the proud grandparents of twins. The twins born to their daughter, TANYA, are a boy and a girl, an arrangement to keep everyone happy...Also awaiting a visit from the stork are the C. SMITHS, Dan Ryan...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. C. NELSON, Dan Ryan, on the purchase of their new home. . . A hearty welcome to J. L. NEELY, new car serviceman at Dan Ryan, and a farewell to JESSE CROSS who is leaving to return to 61st Street Shop...Best wishes to L. LACEY who entered the military service. . . Best wishes to ED TAYLOR, 61st Street, who took a disability pension on May 1. Here's hoping Ed enjoys many years of health and happiness...Welcome to new Car Servicemen L. FOBB and R. REUTELL at Howard. ..Best wishes to LEO ZIELINSKI who retired on April 1. Leo was a car serviceman at Howard. Our hopes for his continued health and happiness are sent his way...Touring the historic sites of Philadelphia is how P. McCAHILL, Wilson, spent his vacation...T. MITCHELL, Wilson, took in the sights and sounds of old Ireland on his recent vacation...Enjoying a beautiful spring vacation were S. GARITI, M. O'MALLEY, F. VELINSKE, F. RAKSTIS, G. DAVICE, E. MIZEROCKI, M. KRISTMAN, M. HEIL, N. LICHVAR, and MATTHEW BUCHANAN.

- Ray Brzeczek

WEST SECTION -

Pensioner WILLIAM HAWKINS, former motorman on Lake Street, proves you can't keep a good man down. Bill was cited for his volunteer work as one of the many "Friendly Visitors" to the City of Chicago hospitals. They go to the hospital wards to cheer up the patients, and do other odd jobs. Bill, this is a warm gesture, so keep up the good work...Out at the hospitals came some future employes. M. BOLDEN's wife gave birth to a baby boy. R. CORY's wife also gave birth to a 9 pound 6 ounce baby boy. For awhile there we were going to have a lottery on little ANDRE, it took him so long getting here. Even the doctor wasn't sure. F. MEAD's wife gave birth to a baby boy also. Little FRED, who was the baby, got very jealous, so dad brought him a puppy. One night while attending to the baby, they noticed Fred Jr. was missing from his bed. Searching the house, they found him in the cellar sleeping with his puppy. He claimed that baby LARRY made too much noise and he couldn't sleep. Ain't that just like an old kid...Belated congratulations to Clerk ED PFANNKUCHEN who was made a great-grandfather when his granddaughter gave birth to a baby girl. The little lady was born on April 1, and that's no joke...Back off the sick list are G. CLARK, T. KING, and B. RADULSKI. Welcome back, fellows...Our sympathy to R. CANO and his family on the recent passing of his mother...To the following men goes belated birthday greetings: B. HANNAH, J. SMYLIE, F. BROWN, D. RUSSELL, J. HOLAKOVSKI, V. MORRIS, and K. O'FLAHERTY. ..On May 25 another one of our guys leaves for the air force. We wish W. SMITH a safe and good trip...A fellow that Uncle Sam cut loose sometime ago was L'MORDY GILES. He received his good conduct medal for eating, this young man even ate C-rations and still eats...Congratulations to TED GASIOROWSKI and his wife on their wedding anniversary. Congratulations to D. RENO and his lovely wife, FLORENCE, who celebrated their second anniversary. And please remember, Flo, that hair piece belongs to Danny. Many happy returns, kids...IKE HOUSTON please fix that broken screen door. I'm sure you wouldn't want your smart dog, Teddy, to run off...Men on the extra board, L. "Sugar Bear" WILLIAMS says to tell you all he is back home on Lake Street...Our new clerk on Lake Street is none other than A. WOODS who is doing a fine job...We are going to lose LEN KUKOWINSKI, our favorite clerk, to Jefferson Park. So you fellows take care of him or we will come over there and punch all of your transfers...On a vacation in Florida was C. McDERMOTT and his wife who are visiting friends and some relatives in Orlando and Miami... M. BELLEZZO and M. FIORE keep putting their IQ buttons on and taking them off again. They can't seem to make up their minds about smoking...Many of us responded to the CTA yell and scream campaign for a State appropriation. But let's not forget that we will have to do our part, as employes, to show them that we deserve these things...At Lake Street, gang, there seems to be a generation gap. My co-reporter, SANTO, is at present learning new four letter words, and I'm sure that F-R-E-E coffee isn't the word. So let's everyone pay their D-I-M-E, please! It's for the pension retirement parties. Remember you will all be over 30 soon, if not already, and we want to give you a happy send-off. See you all later, gang. And while you are on vacation drop us a line and bring back some snapshots of your trips. Have fun and enjoy the sun.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

69TH STREET -

I started my vacation with a big bang. Someone smashed the side of my '60 Chevrolet while it was parked on Marshfield. DAVIDSON, who takes two or three minutes, knows a soft leader alright. He had his vacation moved up to match mine so he wouldn't have to follow anyone else...MICKEY YOUNG's son, EDWARD, was married on May 2 to CATHERINE SYPKOWSKI. Don't worry about Mickey, Mrs. YOUNG, because Supervisors R. McGRATH, NICK TRIFFON, and JOHN SPOO are keeping the Mick in line on 59th street. All in all, it was a good pick with me going one way and Mickey the other and meeting at Morgan street...Last winter during one of our bad snow storms, KRAMER and MIKE PACHOLIK had a run-in with some big mean dogs. Mike threw everything he had including his wristwatch at them. WILLIE WILLIAMS was in front of the station when the dogs came after him. He was no match for them and

was very lucky that he had only a small bite or two before they ran off. . . WANTROBA and HAMMERSCHMIDT are sitting down nice and easy now since they both underwent surgery...The little guy who always collected silver coins, ALBERT J. JOZA, says, "I ain't got no more silver or half dollars." He traded them in on a new Chevrolet Nova... BERNARD PULICK's daughter, MARGARET, won a $1,650 scholarship for Roosevelt university towards her masters degree for the fall term...I saw LOUIS R. MROZ and he looks great. He is now at West Shops and says hello to everyone...The Union restaurant has sure had its troubles. SCALLON had a kidney removed and the "iron man" was back to work in record time. GEORGE, the owner, is now working for the Federal government. SCOTTY HIGGINS couldn't decide which side of the Union to sit on when VI and her young daughter worked it together. Vi solved the problem by baptizing him with a glass of water. . . TIM MURPHY was made a board member for the clerks and is doing a good job. . . LARRY (the clerk of clerks) spent a month in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. In fact, he sent a card which showed just where he spent most of his time...ED SWANSON is working in the Employment Department at the Mart at this time. O'DONNELL and JOHNSON have to pay for their own coffee now. I saw Johnson carrying a hair dryer and he explained that it was for Swanson. Could it be that he is trying to impress the girls at the Mart? He should surely know that it won't grow hair...RALPH FRALE finally took some advice and had the young lady at the bakery slice the rolls and doughnuts in half. He now gets more for his money and the clerks eat less...ELMER GOBEILLE's son became the father of twins. A boy and a girl...Collector J. W. HENNESSY celebrated his 29th wedding anniversary on June 28. Here's hoping there are many more years of marital bliss ahead for you both...Janitor R. WARD picked the terminal at Beverly Station much to everyone's regret. Our chief janitor is now RUDY RAJ, SIG WODARCZYK is number 2, BOB JEROZAL, number 3, NATHAN ODOM, night janitor, LEROY MARSHALL is relief man, with E. "Red" GREEN working terminals...The silent reaper paused and took the following: SAM McDANIEL, the father-in-law of SAMUEL P. STOCKLING; Collector H. GERARD; J. BECKER, retired district superintendent and father of Clerk BARNEY BECKER, and JOHN MINOR who was on disability pension. To their families and loved ones, we at 69th Street extend our deepest sympathy...From the Repair Department and JIMMY AHERN, are reports that S. J. MURRY, bus repairman, is a nice guy and tries to help the drivers as much as he can...JOHN SHAW, former supervisor, paid us a visit. He had just returned from Florida and has a beautiful tan. He now resides in Indiana...JOE GAMEN is doing well in Orlando, Florida. GUS WESSEL and JOHNNY BURKE also reside in the same locality. Jim has their address in case anyone wishes to visit them. . . FRANK FLYNN, ABE TAYLOR, WALTER (Buck) KULIKAUSKAS, BILL ROBINSON, JIM LUNDY, GEORGE GACEK, V. ONDRIAS, M. DWYER, and MARTIN CAPLIS are all vacationing in sunny Florida...We wish DONALD BERGE much luck and happiness in his new job at 69th Street as relief foreman. Also to LENNY BATTANDO, the same on his transfer to Archer...Joining us is EDDIE SMOLINSKI who came as a repairman. Ed was an operator at 69th Street for many years. New men in the Repair Department are: J. DALY, J. JANKUS, F. COLLIER, and H. GEARRING. Do a good job, fellows, and you will have good luck...RONNY JOY transferred to 77th Street and FRANK DRISH went to Beverly...EDDIE PRUEMER retired and we wish him and his wife much happiness for many years to come...Let's try to keep the steering wheel and seats clean, fellows. Dirt sure shows up on the new uniforms...Superintendents C. W. GIBES and JOHN LOGAY still extend an invitation for you to meet with them and talk about any problem you may have...Whatever you do, don't sign the work book and not scratch it out if you should take a charter for that day. I did it and man did I really catch it. In fact, I had to take a vacation down in Mobile and New Orleans to get over it...Happy vacations to one and all, and drop me a card or note, care of 69th Street Transit News. God bless all of you.

- Arthur P. Buesing

77TH STREET -

I am sorry that our column didn't appear in the last issue of the Transit News, but because I didn't receive enough news for a full column, I have combined two months of news items for this issue. I am hopeful that we will have many news items to report, because of planned vacations, approaching marriages, and graduations...Operator RYE'S wife has been hospitalized in St. George's hospital due to wounds received from stray bullets while at work as a clerk in a cleaning store. We wish her a speedy recovery. ..The son of Assistant Station Superintendent ARTHUR SCHWEITZER has returned from Viet Nam where he served as a sergeant in the 101st Airborne Division. His parents are very happy that he is home again...Mrs. MANNIE COLLINS, the mother of Operator LOGAN COLLINS, was honored at an open house at St. John's A.M.E. church to celebrate her 88th birthday. Mrs. Collins has another son, EARL, and a daughter, Mrs. BETTYE BRYANT, both residents of Springfield, Illinois. Mrs. Collins also has 12 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren. Our congratulations to her...The 77th Street Station has reduced its accident record for three consecutive years. Congratulations to all the bus operators for their excellent operating skills, and let's all strive to make it "four in a row". Because of our good driving record for the month of April, we were again treated to coffee by the station superintendents...The softball team has begun its practice sessions for the coming softball league competition, sponsored by Division 241 and the CTA. The team is coached by CHARLIE JOHNSON. On to victory, fellows...Best wishes to BILL WEBB who recently became a grandfather when his daughter, BONNIE, gave birth to a 6 pound 3 ounce baby boy on May 10. Bonnie's husband is RICH RABICH, and the baby will answer to the name of RICHARD THOMAS RABICH...REMEL JONES, the daughter of Operator ULYSSES JONES, was graduated from Thomas J. Kellar High school in Robbins, Illinois. Her father has promised her a trip to California as one of her graduation gifts...On April 24 Division 241 Basketball League held its First Annual Awards Dinner with CTA management and Division 241 doing the honors. The four teams that made the play-offs received beautiful trophies. The catered banquet was also attended by the wives and sweethearts of the players. Station Superintendent KNERR and Assistant Superintendent WSOL were also present. Thanks to all the fellows who gave us their support...We extend our deepest sympathy to the following families: to Operator MARSHALL FOSTER and his family in the loss of his beloved mother; to the NEIL KINNISH family in the loss of Neil's father, and to Operator RAYMOND JOHNSON and his family in the loss of his father.

- Elcosie Gresham

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CLINTON STATION, renovated as part of the "Northwest Passage" project, features brushed-finish stainless steel fare collection equipment and agents' booth, a canopied ceiling, fluorescent lighting, and a non-skid floor. Twin escalators carry passengers between the mezzanine station and the train platforms.

Northwest Passage Serves CTA-C&NW Riders

A NEW, convenient link between the Clinton station on the Lake-Dan Ryan rapid transit route and the downtown station of the Chicago and North Western Railway was formally opened on Monday, June 29. Participating in the ceremony were Mayor Richard J. Daley, CTA General Manager Thomas B. O'Connor, and C&NW President Larry S. Provo.

Known as the "Northwest Passage", the connection includes a weather-protected passageway, an escalator to ground level in North Western station, and escalators between the mezzanine and platform level at the Clinton station. The passageway is attractively carpeted and illuminated by fluorescent lighting. As part of the project, the Clinton station was renovated.

The "Northwest Passage" is open Monday through Saturday from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.

This is the first transit project in the nation combining both Federal grant funds and Federal demonstration project funds in a single coordinated project involving two transportation agencies. The $433,000 cost of renovating the Clinton station was shared by the City of Chicago with two-thirds matching funds provided by a Federal capital grant. Two-thirds of the $595,750 cost of the passageway was provided by a Federal demonstration grant. Of the remaining one-third, the C&NW provided $173,564 and CTA provided $25,000.

The demonstration project includes a study of the effect of the passage on rider travel habits and will develop guidelines useful in comprehensive transportation planning, particularly in reference to the planned distributor subway which will involve pedestrian connections with commuter railroad terminals.

INSPECTING THE renovated Clinton station (far left) following the "Northwest Passage" opening are Mayor Daley and General Manager T. B. O'Connor.

THE CARPETED passageway (left) within North Western station provides a convenient connection for commuters using CTA's rapid transit and C&NW suburban trains.

OUR COVER: Silhouetted against the downtown Chicago skyline is an air-conditioned Lake - Dan Ryan train on the modern elevated structure near 18th and Clark streets.

Board Approves South Side Bus Route Changes

REVISIONS TO eight South Side bus routes were authorized by Chicago Transit Board at the monthly Board meeting on Thursday, July 2, as a result of changes in rider travel patterns since the opening of the Dan Ryan rapid transit extension last September and to expand service to areas of Chicago not presently served by CTA. The revisions will become effective with the fall schedules taking effect on Sunday, September 13.

"During the nine months since the new line was opened, riding at the nine stations has continually increased to its present level of approximately 90,000," said Board Chairman George L. DeMent. "Throughout this growth period we have studied the travel patterns of riders transferring between buses and rapid transit. Now that the travel habits of our passengers are fixed, we are ready to make adjustments to provide more direct bus service to rapid transit stations and thereby reduce the number of transfers between vehicles which many riders are making," Mr. DeMent continued.

A brief description of the revisions to service on each of the eight present bus routes where changes have been authorized follows:

4A Pullman—weekday service extended south via the Calumet Expressway to the Altgeld Gardens and Golden Gate developments.

22A Wentworth—service extended south via Vincennes to 103rd street serving the new Stone Terrace development and Simeon High school between 83rd and 85th streets.

34 South Michigan—weekday service extended west from Morgan to 120th/Ashland serving the Maple Park area.

42B South Halsted—certain weekday rush hour buses from 127th street will operate direct to 95 station instead of 79 station.

103 103rd-106th—present route divided at 103rd/Michigan into 103 West 103rd bus route operating between 95 station and 103rd/Pulaski and 106 103rd-106th bus route operating between 95 station and 112th/Avenue "B".

103A West 103rd—service to 95 station on 103rd street expanded to 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Route becomes 103 West 103rd.

111 111th-115th—present rush hour service to 119th/Ashland will be replaced by the 34 South Michigan bus route. Certain buses used by students going to and from Mendel High school will be extended west of Vincennes avenue to Pulaski road.

111A Vincennes-111th—service to 95 station expanded to 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Service north of 95th street to 79th/Halsted will be replaced by the extended 22A Wentworth bus route operating via Vincennes avenue.

"The changes in rider travel patterns which have resulted since the opening of the Dan Ryan line have shown the preference which riders have for rapid transit over surface transportation.

"The trend is encouraging, and it has induced us to make further revisions to the network of far South Side bus routes so that high-speed rapid transit service will become convenient to even more riders and potential riders. The number of weekday passengers boarding the rapid transit at 95 station near 95th and State streets is up 45 per cent from the first weekday of operation. On an average weekday, 14,000 passengers enter the station--this is 130 per cent of our one-year goal for 95 station," concluded Mr. DeMent.

Board Member Ernie Banks Rides the Rapid to Cubs Game

ERNIE BANKS, member of Chicago Transit Board, found riding the combination Dan Ryan and North-South rapid transit the easy way to reach Wrigley Field for the double-header on Wednesday, June 24. Prior to boarding the train at 79 station, Ernie inspected CTA's 77th Street Transportation office. Incidentally, Ernie hit a home run and a single that day.

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24 Qualify as Surface System Supervisors

GRADUATION CERTIFICATES were recently presented to the class of 24 which completed the Surface System Supervisor Training program. Class members were trained in all phases of supervisory duties by Transportation Department supervisors and instructors. Graduates have been assigned to the pool and are available to fill in as needed when vacancies for supervisors occur.

Members of the class, listed in alphabetical order, are: Lino Alcaraz, John W. Batzel, Clevelen B. Brogden, Horace Brooks, Salvator Carbonelli, Kenneth M. Czachowski, Eugene Easen, John D. Grace, George O. Hand, Booker T. Henry, Elonzo W. Hill, Clarence Junkins, Raymond A. Lugiai, James E. Miller, William E. Moore, Abraham Morgan, Charles C. Nichols, Edward M. Panik, Nathaniel K. Payne, Thomas J. Reilly, William Robertson Jr., James Shell, Ezra J. Watson, and Willie Williams Jr.

With the graduates in the picture above are Operations Control Relief District Superintendent T. P. Hogan and Superintendent of Operations R. W. Tracy (seated, far left), Assistant Superintendent of Surface Operations T. J. Shanahan and District B Superintendent M. L. Van Hal (seated, far right), District C Superintendent R. F. Reighard (standing, far left), and District D District Supervisor P. E. Kehoe (standing, far right).

Brother Rice High School Team Cited as "It's Academic" Winners

TAKING FIRST place in the summer session of "It's Academic", was Brother Rice High school which beat Mendel High school by a score of 495 to 285.

The presentation of awards took place recently at the Annual Awards Luncheon held at the M&M Club in the Merchandise Mart. Shown above during the presentation are, from left, W. C. Platt, president of the Brother Rice Dad's Club and CTA superintendent of employe relations; Jim O'Brien, national merit scholarship winner, Illinois state scholarship winner, and CTA employe for the summer at the Dan Ryan rapid transit maintenance terminal; Larry Gallagher, a national merit scholarship winner and Illinois state scholarship winner; Mark Wier, a national merit finalist and Illinois state scholarship winner; W. C. Prather, station manager of WMAQ TV; James Lalley, head of the English department at Brother Rice and the son of Limits Station Collector James Lalley; and Ed Grennan, the m.c. of "It's Academic" for the past eight years.

All three young men were members of the Brother Rice graduating class of 1970 and are enrolled for the fall session--Gallagher at Notre Dame, O'Brien at the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana, and Wier at Loyola.

The TV show in which they participated was aired on August 8 and will be shown again September 19.

New Supervisory Assignments Affect Seven Departments

SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL in seven CTA departments have undergone changes since April as a result of new appointments and reassignments. The departments affected include Accounting, Claim, Rapid Transit Districts, Rapid Transit Maintenance Terminals, South Shops, Surface System Garages, and Treasury.

Effective May 1, R. Hefferman was appointed assistant to the treasurer and H. R. Donihi became coordinator of office operations in the Treasury Department. The appointments were made by Treasurer C. H. Grube and approved by Manager of Finance P. J. Meinardi.

The appointment of M. J. McDermott as acting superintendent of investigations and claims was made by P. J. Meinardi, manager of finance, and became effective May 4.

Effective June 1, W. J. Parrillo was appointed budget accountant in the General Accounting Department. The appointment was made by General Accountant A. J. Fitzsimons and approved by P. J. Meinardi, manager of finance.

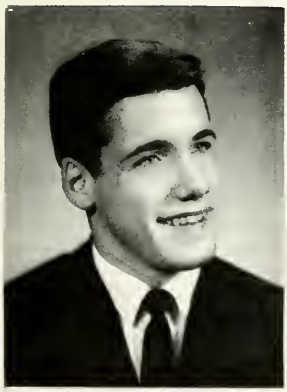
Named to the position of superintendent of rapid transit maintenance terminals effective June 1 was A. J. Porcaro. The appointment was made by Superintendent of Shops and Equipment G. J. Clark and approved by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.

The appointment of F. Mommsen as foreman of the Print Shop at South Shops effective July 1 was made by Superintendent of Surface Division Shops J. Bolech and approved by Superintendent of Surface System Shops & Garages J. J. Repplinger and G. J. Clark, superintendent of shops and equipment.

In a bulletin signed by Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn and approved by C. E. Keiser, operating manager, the following appointments and reassignments of rapid transit district personnel became effective July 5. Named as district superintendents were A. E. Johnson, North District, and E. G. Strey, South District. Named as relief district superintendents were W. E. Nash, South District, and V. Burgess, North District. L. H. Lykins was named as district supervisor, North-South Districts. Reassigned as district superintendents were E. W. Larson, North District, and H. Lowenstein, South District.

Effective August 2, changes in foreman assignments at Surface System Garages were made with the promotions of P. E. O'Connor as day foreman at Limits Garage, J. Ward as night foreman at 77th Street Garage, T. Gecan as day assistant foreman at Kedzie Garage, J. Pankonen as day assistant foreman at Beverly Garage, M. Warchol as P.M. foreman at North Avenue Garage, J. Wojack Jr. as P.M. foreman at Kedzie Garage, and the transfers of J. Coughlin to day assistant foreman at Limits Garage, F. Lercara to day assistant foreman at Archer Garage, and H. Gerali to day assistant foreman at North Park Garage. The appointments were made by Superintendent of Garages J. W. Dain and approved by J. J. Repplinger, superintendent of surface system shops and garages, and G. J. Clark, superintendent of shops and equipment.

J. J. O'Connor Jr.—A 4th Generation CTAer



JOE JR., a third year student at Northern Illinois university and the son of Joseph J. O'Connor of the Engineering Department's Real Estate Division, has returned to work as a summer employe in the Building Division of Engineering. This is his third summer with CTA, having worked as a rapid transit conductor his first summer and as a laborer in Building the second.

The employment of Joe Jr. is unusual in that he represents the fourth generation of his family to be in the employ of CTA and its predecessors. His great grandfather, Jerry, a general foreman in the Track Department, worked with the former Chicago City Railway and Chicago Surface Lines for 39 years, from 1885 to 1924. His grandfather, Joseph, who had worked as a summer employe while attending Armour Institute, became a division superintendent of track and roadway with the CSL and was a permanent employe for 28 years from 1907 until his death in 1935. His father, Joseph J., also obtained summer employment with the CSL while attending school. He has been a permanent employe since 1936 and is presently title agent in the Real Estate Division. Combined, the O'Connors have logged more than a century of transit service.

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin,

CTA Medical Consultant

How Your Body Keeps You Well

"NOT SICKNESS, but health" is the greatest of all medical mysteries. Your own health is a good example. During a typical day your body is attacked by literally billions of germs, such as bacteria and viruses. Many of them are capable of producing illness or even death. Yet you stay well. Numerous germs actually gain entry into your body with the food you eat, or the air you breathe, or through breaks in the skin. Yet you stay well. Once inside your body some germs establish a permanent residence in your nose, mouth, throat, or intestines, where they multiply very rapidly. In fact, an average adult will excrete or expel an estimated 127 trillion bacteria every 24 hours and yet you stay well. It is a rare germ that runs the gantlet of your body's defenses and comes out alive.

What protects you from these constant bacterial and viral assaults ?

Through the years, specialists in preventative medicine and laboratory scientists have been slowly but gradually finding out. They report that our health is safeguarded by an ingenious series of defenses, like the successive lines of an army entrenched to ward off invaders. Some enemy germs are stopped by the outer defense lines, others are destroyed by your body's internal defense lines.

For example, suppose that a germ-laden fleck of dust gets into your eye. In all probability there will be nothing to worry about. Your eye surface is constantly bathed in tears which contain lysozyme, a germ-destroying antiseptic. This substance is so powerful that a single teardrop in a half gallon of water will destroy millions of germs.

Your saliva and other fluids produced by your body also contain lysozyme, as well as other antiseptic chemicals which help to destroy germs.

Even your bare skin has considerable germicidal power. For example, powerful germs in a drop of fluid placed on a glass slide will survive for hours, while those placed on the clean palm will only survive a few minutes.

Some kinds of germs can survive these external lines of defense and even multiply on your skin. Before they can do any harm, however, they must gain entry into your body and then run the amazing gantlet of other defenses. Germs entering through your mouth are attacked by antiseptics in your saliva. For those that are swallowed and washed into your stomach powerful digestive enzymes or chemicals lie in wait. Very few destructive germs reach the intestines alive.

Germs which gain entry through the nose must pass the amazing air-filtering nasal passages. The mucous in those passages acts like flypaper in catching germs. If they cause irritation they are sneezed out. If germs manage to reach the tubes to the lungs they also are trapped by mucous and coughed out.

Suppose you step on a germ-laden nail and it penetrates the skin. Another type of defense, called inflammation, gets busy and releases chemicals to kill the bacteria. Here, the so-called policemen of the body (leucocytes in our blood) also gather to destroy the bacteria. The leucocytes gobble up and kill all the bacteria they encounter.

If any germs survive this defense they are carried by the lymph channels to various lymph nodes, like the ones in our neck and groin. The lymph nodes act as filters. This is what happens when the glands in our neck swell up during a throat infection.

If by any chance some bacteria reach our blood stream, another line of defense stands ready. Your bone marrow, liver, spleen and a few smaller organs act as the most magnificent, amazing filtration and disposal factories ever known.

If one is unfortunate enough to have a severe infection, such as scarlet fever, antibodies are produced which give us immunity against future attacks.

Now and then the invading bacteria and viruses such as certain "flu bugs" change their make-up so that they are resistant to our body defenses. However, later on the policemen of the body change their mode of attack or science develops a new vaccine and this means the infection will be controlled.

In order to keep our body defense lines in good working order we must maintain good health. This we can do by proper diet, good hygiene, adequate rest, and exercise. Regular physical check-ups by your physician will help you in this program.

Tuition Aid Now Available to More Employes

GENERAL MANAGER Thomas B. O'Connor recently approved a revision in the Tuition Aid Plan which will make reimbursements available to more employes who wish to continue their education.

Formerly, the only employes eligible for reimbursement were those who took courses which were related to their present position or were required for a degree in which the major field was work related.

Now, employes can take non work-related courses and be reimbursed later if within five years they transfer to a position to which the courses are work related.

Another revision in the plan is an increase in the total amount of reimbursement an employe can receive during a school year for graduate courses. The limit is now $500, up from $350. The limit for undergraduate courses remains at $350 per school year.

An employe interested in applying for tuition aid should complete Part I of CTA Form 9783, "Application for Tuition Aid", and forward it to his department head along with informational material from the school including course descriptions; class schedules; grading system; and tuition, registration, and laboratory fees.

After completion of courses that have been approved, the employe should present to his department head receipts for tuition, registration, and laboratory fees and evidence of the final grade received for the course. The Superintendent of Training, Accident Studies, and Employment will make arrangements for reimbursement for the above-listed fees on a percentage basis. For courses which are not work related but are required for a work-related degree, the percentage reimbursed is: Grade of "A" - 50%, Grade of "B" - 45%, and Grade of "C" - 40%. For other courses, the percentage reimbursed is: Grade of "A" - 100%, Grade of "B" - 85%, and Grade of "C" - 75%.

For additional information concerning tuition aid, contact your immediate supervisor.

In announcing the revisions, Mr. O'Connor said, "The Authority is always pleased to give financial assistance to employes who want to continue their education. An increase in knowledge is not only beneficial to the employe but is also beneficial to CTA.

"Since the Tuition Aid Plan was initiated in September of 1964, CTA employes have received over $17,000 in tuition refunds. Many of these employes were reimbursed for more than one course."

RECENT CTA ADDITIONS TO THE ARMED FORCES

BAILEY, N. L., Operator, North Avenue
BIGOS, S. T., Serviceman, Beverly
CALIFF, J. P., Serviceman, Forest Glen
COLUCCI, A. P., Elect. Wkr. Apprent., Skokie Shops
HAGERTY, R. A., Serviceman, Forest Glen
KHAMIS, G. G., Operator, Limits
LINNE, E. A., Conductor, North Section
LUCKETT, R. M. Jr., Operator, Archer
MASSEY, M. T., Operator, Beverly
MEREK, A., Operator, Forest Glen
O'SHAUGHNESSY, M., Serviceman, Beverly
REUTELL, R. R., Serviceman, Wilson Shops
SHEPP, R. T., Serviceman, 69th Street
SIMS, R., Conductor, North Section
SIPICH, K., Stock Clerk I, South Section
SMITH, W. J., Conductor, West Section
THELIN, A. J., Ticket Agent, North Section
WATSON, J. E., Serviceman, Forest Glen

RECENTLY RETURNED

CANTY, M. Jr., Conductor, North Section
COLLIER, T. G., Serviceman, 69th Street
CONWAY, J. B., Serviceman, Beverly
CRONIN, M. J., Repairer, Wilson Shops
DABE, R. J., Serviceman, Limits
DAVENPORT, S., Operator, North Park
GRABOWSKI, L., Repairer, North Park
HOUSE, E. R., Serviceman, 69th Street
JACKSON, E. R., Trackman, Engineering
JACKSON, L., Operator, North Avenue
LAWTON, B. L., Serviceman, Limits
LOMBARDO, A. L., Token Clerk, Treasury
MANGELSDORFF, D. A., Transit Technician III, Research & Planning
MASSEY, M. T., Operator, Beverly
MEAD, D. J., Operator, 77th Street
MERIWEATHER, D. E., Operator, North Park
MOORE, O. L., Operator, Limits
RICHARDS, W. Jr., Conductor, North Section
ROLLAND, R. J., Operator, Beverly
SCARBROUGH, R. J. Jr., Serviceman, 77th Street
STANKEVICIUS, H., Money Handler, Cent'l Counting
THORNTON, G. L., Operator, Kedzie
WILLS, B. A., Repairer, 69th Street
WONG, W., Serviceman, Forest Glen

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (General) -

As you all know by now, it is official that WILLIAM J. PARRILLO has been appointed as Budget Accountant replacing ROBERT BAXTER who retired on June 1. Good luck and success to Mr. Parrillo in his new position... MARGARET WALKER spent a two-week vacation in Florida visiting with her brother, sister-in-law, and family. She had an enjoyable time...Let's all prepare for a big day in GEORGE PELLICORE's life. We won't say what, but we will tell you the day--September 29...At this writing RAY SCHRAMM is on a vacation. He did not tell us where he was going, but we are sure it will be restful...ANN SLOAN travelled to Ireland on her vacation. She will tell us about it when she returns...Another traveller to Ireland is JOHN GEARY who retired on December 1, 1969. . . MICHAEL KANE, the son of BERNARD KANE, was married on August 1 to JOAN MURPHY, a nurse at Little Company of Mary hospital in Evergreen Park. Bernard's mother, who is 87 years old, is presently hospitalized. We wish her a speedy recovery...GEORGE TRIUNFOL vacationed in Florida and came back looking nice and brown and rested. He later became ill, was hospitalized, and at present is home recuperating after surgery. A speedy recovery is wished you, George, by all your fellow co-workers...MIKE VERDONCK vacationed in Arizona, and while there bought an acre of land in Poncho Valley, 90 miles from Flagstaff, Arizona. He intends to build on this land when he retires... JEAN WRIGHT, while on vacation, took a trip up north to New Lisbon, Wisconsin, to visit her mother who is 90 years old. She took a scenic trip along the Mississippi river from Wenonah, Minnesota...On July 11, JOE LAZZARA and his wife, MARLENE, celebrated their daughter, JOYCE's, birthday and first holy communion with a family dinner and party...Welcome back, CHUCK DAVIS, after your illness... ART JOHNSON, retiree of the Payroll Department, dropped by recently to say hello. He now lives in Bradenton, Florida. I understand he and his wife were up to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with their families in Elmhurst, Illinois. Congratulations on this wonderful accomplishment...E. J. MARK, former superintendent of Internal Auditing, passed away June 20. He suffered another heart attack a week earlier and succumbed to this final illness at the Gottlieb hospital in Melrose Park, Illinois. Mr. Mark retired on June 1, 1962...Another of our retired employes, MABEL MAGNUSON, former payroll supervisor, dropped in to say hello. She looked in the pink...Congratulations are in order for AL LATHOUWERS and RAY CORBEL. Al is now assistant payroll accountant, and Ray is supervisor of revenue accounting. We wish both of you success and good luck...MARIE FOLZ, her daughter, BARBARA, and grandson, JOHN, vacationed in the Ozarks in Missouri. The weather was beautiful and they had a good time. Barbara made the dean's list at Mundelein college which is an achievement to be proud of...Welcome back OPAL YANT. We are happy to see you return after your bad accident... Instead of KATHY SLOYAN going to Ireland this year, her sister came from Ireland to visit. Kathy is spending her vacation showing her the Chicago sights...STELLA CIEZADLO left on her vacation for Miami Beach where she will spend two weeks...JUNE NOREN spent her vacation entertaining out-of-town relatives from Oregon and Seattle, Washington. A cousin who is a missionary nurse in the Congo, whom June had not seen for five years, was also visiting...LILLIAN LAMONT is travelling to Ireland where she will visit with relatives and do some sightseeing... MARTY WILMSEN had a very nice vacation taking in the sights of the Chicago area.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

(Payroll) -

The nomadic STANLEY MAILUCKS took off again, this time to the Lone Star State of Texas, visiting Dallas, Fort Worth, San Antonio, Galveston Island, and San Marco. The Hemis-Fair grounds in San Antonio are still open to the public so they saw the tower of the Americas, and rode the Monorail. They also saw the Sunken Gardens in Breckenridge park, the Alamo, and enjoyed the underwater ballet in Aquarena. In Houston they saw the NASA space center. Mr. Mailuck always finds so much to do, and sends such interesting and descriptive post cards from various locations, that it gives us the feeling that we are there...DOROTHY NYCZAK and her husband, GEORGE, and their children, SHARON and GREGG, spent their vacation at their summer home in Saddle Lake Island, Michigan, and also enjoyed the surrounding area, especially Deer Forest in Coloma and Muskegon, Michigan...MARY JANE HOSTETTER divided her time between Cedar Lake, Indiana, where she was a real girl scout and assisted her aunts with many chores, and Chicago, where she and her son, JIM, enjoyed some Cubs games, museums, Shedd Aquarium, and other points of interest...CLOTILDE FRANKIEWICZ and her husband, JAMES, chose a rustic cabin in the North Woods at Boyds resort, Fifefield, Wisconsin, where the weather was ideal. Fishing was available in five lakes and they caught many walleyes, bass, and bluegills. Maybe they will be lucky and land a muskie next time. Just a great place to relax and enjoy the pine-scented breezes...YVONNE ZAJAC enjoys motor trips, so she and her children, MARK and DEBBIE, drove West through Amana, Iowa, stopping at the Amish Village on the way to the Badlands of South Dakota, and the impressive Mt. Rushmore. Then to Spearfish, South Dakota, to see the Passion Play. Denver, Colorado, was the next stop and it was thrilling to see the Rockies come into view in the distance. They also enjoyed Colorado Springs, the Will Rogers shrine, and a trip in a cable car over the Royal Gorge. She has some great pictures and we especially liked the ones of the kids romping in the snow, when we were sweltering in the 90 degree weather...ROBBIE JONES' vacation was saddened by several mishaps and illness to some members of her family. We wish them restored health and hope her next vacation will prove to be a happier one.

- Clara Lawrence

(Tabulating) -

PAT SCHOENBAUM visited Nassau for a very memorable vacation. She went sun-bathing every day and went sight-seeing both by sea and on land. The water was so clear, that regardless of the depth, one could always see the bottom. Pat was impressed with the friendliness of the

THIS HANDSOME young man is HOWARD I. WEATHERS, the son of Beverly Station Operator and Mrs. GEORGE J. WEATHERS. Howard was graduated from Thornton Township High school and plans to enter Illinois Institute of Technology in the fall.

people, and reports that they drive on the "wrong" side of the street, which is a bit confusing. She says that they have very little refrigeration which we take very much for granted. And of course, Pat went shopping in order to bring home a few "unnecessities."..CLARENCE BUTHMAN spent a week's vacation at Osage beach in the Ozarks. He reported that the week was quiet, uneventful, and just delightful...PAT POLIC had a delightful visit with her sister in Cincinnatti for a few days. She spent the rest of her vacation in moving. We offer her our best wishes for a happy time in her new abode.

- Evelyn Lee

BEVERLY -

Well, here it is, vacation time again! So where do we go from here?..Operator HAROLD ERICKSON just returned from his second home in Orlando, Florida, where he caught about 20 pounds of fish. Clerk JOHN KIRBY, fishing in Wisconsin, caught all the minnows. . . Operator IRVING HENDERSON vacationed in Michigan and had a "Honey do" vacation fixing his house...Operators TOM COULTER and ED KISMAN spent a week fishing on the Wolf river...Operator ENNIS SCOTT was fishing for catfish in Wisconsin. ..Operator A. GARVIN and his wife, PAT, just returned from their vacation in Flint and Detroit, Michigan; Canada, and Cincinnati, Ohio, where they attended the wedding of Pat's brother, BILL. Garvin's son is still in Da Nang, Viet Nam, and doing fine...Our condolences to Clerk ART THOMAS who lost his brother in Springfield, Massachusetts... KATHERINE WILLIAMS, the wife of Operator JAMES WILLIAMS, gave birth to a son, ERIC JASON, on June 10, weighing 5 pounds 13 ounces...Operator AMOS FOSTER Jr. made me a grandfather again when his wife, PEPITA, gave birth to a girl, ANGELA MARIE, on July 7...We express our deepest sympathy to the family of Loader PROSE MATHEWS who passed away...Our monthly AMVET meeting was held at the home of Operator WILLIE McCANN and a great time was had by all. His wife, LOIS, is out of the hospital and doing fine. It was nice to see so many old friends, L. BANKS of Keeler, T. PHILLIPS of Lawndale, and a host of others...The son of Operator WALTER HARRIS was voted "The Brain" at Tennessee State college. He finished with a straight "A" average in obtaining his bachelor of science degree in aeronautics and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the air force. He is taking flight training in Columbus, Mississippi... My daughter, BRENDA SHELTON, was graduated from Arthur Dixon Elementary school and has plans to attend Chicago Vocational school in September...So long, see you all after vacation.

- Tom Daniels & Amos Foster

CLAIM -

The Claim Department is thrilled and proud to announce the marriage of KAREN JOHNSON to DAVID MUNYER. Wedding bells rang on June 6 and were followed by a honeymoon in Nassau... MARY BERRY, alias Mary Christmas Berry, is vacationing in Mackinaw. After camping out and drinking up the sun will she be our Black Berry?..DOROTHY COUGHLIN is our new vault supervisor. Best of luck, Dorothy...JOHN DALY has a new position as interrogatory clerk replacing BILL PETERSON. Bill transferred to the Law Department. We're going to miss you, Bill.

- Ruth Kaminski & Terri Kramer

ENGINEERING -

Get well wishes are extended to PAT BOLSINGER. Pat has been hospitalized for a broken blood vessel in her leg, and is now recuperating at home. We all wish her a speedy recovery and a return to work soon...A warm welcome to ANNA KEAG who will be with us through the summer months to replace Pat Bolsinger. Anna spent one year of college at Southern Illinois to study nursing. She will finish her schooling at Mayfair Junior college. Welcome back to ANNETTE HEFTER who recently underwent surgery. We're all happy to see that you made a speedy recovery and were able to return to us so soon...Our condolences to PAUL MINOGUE Jr. who lost his father on July 5. The deceased, PAUL MINOGUE, was a retiree from the CTA. He was employed as a timekeeper...SHYAM VYAS, design draftsman III, will be leaving us on July 10 to work elsewhere. Best of luck and good wishes are extended to him. ..Your scribe, CAROL RADMAN, and other members of the family gave a surprise 50th anniversary party for her grandparents on July 5. A mass was said in their honor at St. Jerome's church where they renewed their wedding vows. The dinner party was held at Marge's Banquet Hall, 59th and St. Louis. Incidentally, the owner of the hall is the brother of ANNE GUSICH in the Treasury Department. The food was plentiful and tasty and a marvelous time was had by all. The party gave your scribe an opportunity to announce her engagement to the family and relatives. Wedding bells will be ringing on March 27 for Carol Radman and JAMES BRADAC who became engaged on May 21. Jim is a vaultman at Brinks.

(West Shops) -

Congratulations to Track Foreman BILL HEFFERNAN who finally decided to get that minor operation on his neck over with. It wasn't so bad after all was it, Heff?..WALLY FELCKOWSKI, carpenter apprentice, the son of Carpenter Foreman LEO FELCKOWSKI, had a very narrow escape recently when he accidentally contacted the third rail while working at Polk Street. Carpenter LUCIAN TOKARSKI's quick thinking and fast acting saved Wally's life. He pulled Wally off the third rail and lifted him to the platform with the assistance of another carpenter, MITCHELL JEDYNAK.

Tokarski then kept Wally from choking himself with his tongue by putting a ruler into his mouth. Wally was rushed to the hospital where he was unconscious for two days or so. It was touch and go for awhile and everybody was pulling for him to pull through. But the young have a way of snapping back, and Wally is back to work showing hardly a trace of what happened to him. Lucian Tokarski received a special letter of commendation from General Manager T. B. O'CONNOR. All of West Shops also commends Tokarski and Jedynak for their willingness to aid another human being in distress. That seems to be a hard-to-be-found quality in a great many people today...Plumber Foreman CHESTER MAJEROWICZ is back from a four-week vacation. He said he spent one week in Minnesota fishing, and the catch was quite satisfactory. The rest of the time he spent at home just laying around the house and taking life easy...Speaking of plumbers--C. HAFFEY is in the hospital and C. SCAPPUCCI is at home ill. We certainly wish both of these fellows a get well and a hurry back... DANIEL ALBERTS, Frog Shop, recently had an accident and hurt his leg rather badly. He was off 18 days but is now back on the job...We're more than happy to see T. SPASOJEVICH, track foreman, back in our midst after his long siege of illness. Welcome back, Tom! . . Laborer DANNY RAIMOND, better known as "West Shop Danny", is back after being in the hospital having a kidney stone operation...West Shops gives a hale and hearty welcome to newcomer MARK TUSHINSKI, co-op trainee working with the Track and Structures Division this summer. He will be receiving his degree in civil engineering early next year and may then be working with the CTA on a full-time basis. ..Plumber ART COFIELD has our congratulations on receiving his newly adopted baby boy recently. Incidentally, this is the second child he has adopted. Great going, Art. There are so many unwanted children in the world today that it is heart-warming to see someone that will give one of them a home...ED HESS, chief clerk, recently became a grandfather for the first time to a baby boy, STEPHEN CHARLES. The proud papa, Hess' son, wasn't able to be here for the happy event because he is busy doing his stint for Uncle Sam in Viet Nam.

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

ELECTRICAL (Blue Island) -

To ART HANSEL, ARVIN WILMONT, and J. NAGRODSKI: Mr. COYNE appreciated your cards of thanks for the wallets...At this time I would like to say that BOB BOOTH is cooking up some good games for the picnic. Don't forget the date, September 20...On vacation at this writing are: TED WYNCOTT in Bull Shoals, Arkansas; ED SUPER testing that free stuff at one of the breweries in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; CHESTER CUDEK at the I.B.E.W. bowling tournament in Anaheim, California, whom we think didn't hit the jackpot as we haven't heard any results, and WILLIAM COYLE and his family down Kentucky way...MARGARET and CHARLES PARHAM celebrated their 17th wedding anniversary...JACK BECKER is all smiles these days. He is the proud grandfather of a 7 pound 9 ounce baby girl born to RICHARD and KAY BECKER of Dallas, Texas...Off sick at this time are: J. O'DONNELL, R. PRIESBE, L. DONOFRIO, H. CORDT, and S. SMITH. Drop them a card, I am sure it would be appreciated...All you pensioners out there let us hear from you.

- William Rehder

(General Office) -

MARIE HAVLIK, timekeeper, her mother, and her sister, RUTH, enjoyed a vacation in Dorr County, Wisconsin. They took a cruise to Rock Island state park and to Washington island. Trips to Aqualand, Peninsula state park, and the museums were other highlights during their stay in this beautiful country. One evening they attended an outdoor fish broil at Ellison Bay which was hosted by the well known Viking restaurant...RENEE SIEGAL, the daughter of RUTH and JOSEPH SIEGAL, engineer of substation maintenance, has rejoined the family circle for the summer. Renee is a student at Jerusalem College for Women and will enter her third year when she returns this fall...We welcome back Co-op Trainees HELMUT SCHWEITZER and KENDRICK BISSETT to the Signal Department. . . Don't forget the Electrical Department picnic on Sunday, September 20. Keep this date open.

- Kay McAlister

FOREST GLEN -

Hi, men. First I am sorry I missed last month's issue for our depot. Of course, I had to go fishing...Operator and Mrs. CHESTER BACHARA celebrated their 37th wedding anniversary on May 20. It must have been quite a party as Chester didn't look so good the following day. He says he would do it all over again as he has the finest gal in the world...DEBRA LYNN SWANSON, the nine-year old daughter of Supervisor SWANSON, wrote a beautiful story on love and received very high praise from her teacher. Debra used the word love in respect to all forms and walks of life. I do believe Debra Lynn takes after her lovely mother. Sorry, Swanson. By the way, have you noticed how Swanson has taken off weight?..Before we go too far, I don't want to forget this. Operator PANTOS' son, STEVE, was awarded the bronze star. I know his parents are very proud of him as is yours truly. We are looking forward to having young Steve home in September...Supervisor RON MICKELS was having lunch recently when a young lady came up to him and said, "Are you really Clark Kent?" If you don't know who Clark Kent is, well he is Superman. Then, again, after looking at Ron I really believe the young lady should see an eye doctor. Then, again, I am a man and my eyes are bad, too...A surprise party was given for Operator and Mrs. WAINSCOTT on their 40th wedding anniversary. Here's another man who says it seems like only yesterday when he got married...BILL LYNAM recently became a grandfather. Of course he has been one for quite

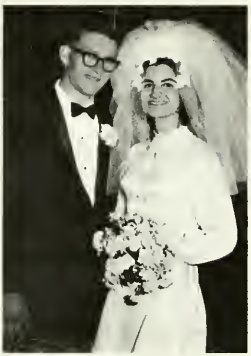
THIS LITTLE bundle of joy is LYNN MARIE SWINDELL, the three month old daughter of Distribution Engineer RONALD SWINDELL, Electrical Department. Lynn is being held by her aunt, PEGGY ROGERS.

some time, but a new one was added to his list. Bill, I am sorry that your anniversary never was printed, but here's wishing you and your Mrs. many happy years of wedded bliss...On June 14, Flag Day, Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES A. ANDREWS celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT L. NAVY, and their three grandchildren, ANDREA, SCOTT, and ROSS of Mount Prospect. Charles, better knows as Ma Perkins, says it seems like only yesterday that we first met...The traveling TIGNACS had a wonderful time on vacation this year. Leave it to LOU and LENA to find places to visit. This year they spent a month at Expo '70 in Japan. Of course they were treated like a king and queen. Something's missing this year, Lou; those beautiful shirts you always show up in. Remember, Tignac, yours truly is still waiting for his...We are happy to announce the marriage of THOM BERG, the son of Operator TRYGVE BERG, to Miss SHARON GEFFE on March 21 at the Immanuel Lutheran church in Palatine. They are now residing in Schaumburg. ..Other travelers were Mr. and Mrs. TONY DeMAYO. Tony and his lovely wife, ESTELLE, spent several weeks in Mexico. I understand he was watching all the gals in their bikinis which goes to show that he still has a young eye...ROCKY MALFESE is now the proud owner of two cars. One is a very nice truck camper with air conditioning, bucket seats, and many other accessories, and the other is a big Thunderbird. Even though he has two cars, Rocky still would rather ride a bus...The wife of retired Armitage Barn Conductor AUGUST "Zimmie" ZIMMERMAN, passed away after an operation. We extend our deepest sympathy to August and his family...Operator and Mrs. TOM MEAGHER just finished two weeks of their vacation. Most of his time was spent painting the house. They were going fishing but couldn't find any large fishing worms... CLIFFORD LAST is also on vacation, but of course it's all home work for him for at least two weeks. Then off to Canada to visit his lost family. Poor Mrs. Last is staying home as usual--too many kids to watch over...After three sons, Operator JOHN MAHNKE finally acquired a daughter when his oldest son, JACK MAHNKE, was married to Miss KATHY WOGAN on June 6 at St. Edmund's church in Oak Park. A reception followed at Fontana d'or. Congratulations to the happy couple and hope they have many good years together. Fellow operators who attended the wedding were CHRIST PANTOS and ROCKY MALFESE...On July 1 we lost a very good friend when TOM VALENZIA retired. Tom looked as if he was only 50. We are sorry to see you go, but here's hoping you have many happy years of retired life...WALTER BLIX, North Avenue switchboard operator, is in the hospital again, and we are hoping to see him home again soon. . . Well, men, it's fishing time for WILBUR and his family, so I hope all of you have news for me when I get back.

- *W. A. Henry* (Don't call me Wilbur)

GENERAL OFFICE (Insurance) -

The HECTOR ROCOURTS spent three glorious weeks in Mexico. What a way to spend a vacation. Ole!..The welcome mat is extended to MARY LABUS who transferred from the Stores Department; RITA OPFERGELT who came to us from the Employment Department; JOYCE SCHALLER who is back with us for the summer, and MARY ANN WALLACE who transferred from the Stores Department. Mary Labus spent the 4th of July weekend in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, with some girl friends. Mary reports they had



THE HAPPY bride and groom are Mr. and Mrs. STEPHEN G. GREENWOOD, who were recently united in holy matrimony at St. Mary of Celle church. The bride is the former JOANNA SARA PAOLICCHI, the daughter of Ironworker Foreman HARRY PAOLICCHI, West Shops.

a swinging time...ANN GOLDING went to the VFW Convention in Springfield, Illinois, and was on the colors team and thoroughly enjoyed herself...TERRY MNICHOWICZ and her husband, LEE, piloted their own plane to Wisconsin. They spent the weekend visiting Lee's family... JOHN BOYCE, his wife, LUCILLE, and their daughter, KAREN, spent ten days in California and Las Vegas. The weather was good and they took in all the sights. They drove out to California and flew back. It was the first airplane flight for both his wife and daughter...DICK REDDING spent two weeks of his vacation playing farmer in his back yard in Marengo, Illinois. He really came back to work with a tan...BARBARA McNUTT transferred to the retirement section as clerk-typist replacing DOROTHY ETSCHEID who transferred to the Schedule Department. Good luck to both Barbara and Dorothy in their new jobs.

(Training & Accident Prevention) -

ART HUBACZ has realized a life-long ambition. He and his son and brother-in-law built a grotto in their back yard and are dedicating it to the Madonna. It is artistically lighted, and according to Art, affords a peaceful place to meditate. . . Welcomed to the department was LORRAINE McEVILLY, formerly of the IBM room...WALTER GARBUTT is vacationing in Colorado with his wife. They are staying at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, the O'BRIENS. ART KRICKOW, retired supervising instructor, made the trip with them...LEONARD LOHN spent a blistering week in Phoenix, Arizona, with his wife. It was the temperature that was blistering--118 degrees. . . FRANK JOHNSON's daughter, and STU MAGINNIS' son signed up at the Illinois State college in Normal, Illinois. We wish both of them good luck and happy college days ahead...JOE O'SULLIVAN and his wife, HELEN, journeyed to St. Paul, Minnesota, to attend the graduation of their son, JOHN, from St. Thomas college...ED and LORETTA HENRY attended the graduation exercises at Quigley South where they presented the second annual Edward Richard Henry Memorial Award to the outstanding senior of the graduating class...MARY CLARKE, formerly of the Accident Statistical Section, dropped in to say hello. She looks wonderful and says she is having the best time of her life. After Mary left, there were traces of lipstick on the faces of many of the male employes in the department...Who was it that recently celebrated a birthday in the department and had a cake with 11 candles on it baked by PAT DUNEK?..A belated congratulations to MARIE WIECZOREK and BILL CLINE, Reproduction Services, on their engagement. The

engagement has progressed so satisfactorily that they have rented a three-room apartment and expect to have it ready for September 26. Best wishes...JO FELDMANN had a full house over a recent weekend. Her daughter, JO ANN, and son-in-law, ED BISONE, along with their six children stopped on their way from Springfield, Virginia, to Tinley Park, Illinois. If you have any fault to find with our Chicago weather, see Jo Feldmann's son-in-law, he is a weatherman in Washington, D.C...BURT BOSAN, his wife, EVELYN, and four children went to Springfield, Illinois, and New Salem on their vacation. After a brief stop, they continued on in their motor home to Kansas City, Missouri, where they attended the Unity Convention. Burt's daughter, Sharon, was graduated from Senn High school and hopes to take up art and be as good as her father...JEANE "Sherlock Holmes" SNYDER is hot on the trail of the department's missing adding machine. She has been having a lot of calculating lately and will soon come up with an answer as to what happened to the machine...KATHLEEN McCARTHY, the two-year old daughter of MIKE and ELAINE McCARTHY, spent four days of her young life in the hospital because of a staph infection. At one time during her hospitalization her temperature reached 105 degrees. She is now home and doing well. Oh yes, if the Cubs would start to win again Mike's cup of happiness would be overflowing.

(Public Information) -

INGRID BOES flew to Los Angeles with her family to attend a wedding in June. Her trip to lovely Palm Springs was eventful. During 102 degree weather the car decided to have a flat tire. She then got her chance to get closer to nature when the heat brought the lizards to the road. Many cartoons show the road-runners as a fast bird and Ingrid saw proof of this as the tire was being fixed. Naturally, she tried all the rides that Disneyland and Knott's Berry Farm had to offer. Her favorite was "It's a Small World" with the boat ride through the dolls of all nations...ALDY CEDENO, who left us in May to await a blessed event, gave birth to a baby girl on June 29. This is one time we agree the father was having a rough time. It seems little KAREN, weighing in at 8 pounds 1 ounce, decided to arrive as they pulled into the parking lot of St. Joseph's hospital. We are happy to say that mother, baby, and father, too, are all doing fine...Our condolences to PATRICIA REED upon the loss of her dear grandmother...Good news also came to us that PATRICIA HALLAHAN is recovering from her accident and will be back with us shortly.

(Research & Planning) -

The members of Research/Planning, accompanied by their husbands, wives, and friends, gathered at Martini's restaurant to honor CHARLEY LAPP on his retirement and to celebrate the successful inauguration into service of the several major projects that were planned by this department. The menu consisted of cocktails, the main course of steak, chicken, or veal and for dessert a color slide presentation entitled, "This is Your Life, Charley Lapp." Charley enjoyed the cartoon slides drawn by his friends. In honor of the work R/P has done in such projects as the Englewood, Dan Ryan, Kennedy, Exact Fare, Northwest Passage, O'Harexpress, and STAC, another slide viewing was presented. Narrated by GEORGE KRAMBLES, superintendent of Research and Planning, they were able to look over (and show their wives and hubbies) some of the work they've been knocking themselves out on during recent months and to hear (for a change) about some of the good things CTA has been doing. In conclusion, Mr. Krambles extended his best wishes to Charley and gave a word of thanks to everyone in R/P for their share of the fine results of these projects. We would also like to take advantage of this writing and extend our thanks to Mr. Krambles for helping us to have this opportunity to get together...Now that the summer months are here everyone in Research/Planning is getting in on some of the season's fine weather. TOM HENNINGSEN and his wife spent a few weeks in their home in Seminole enjoying themselves in Florida's sun. Tom looked as though he lost a few pounds while he was gone (it must have been all that exercise and eye strain on the beach). . . The LEGLERS took a vacation to STEVE's hometown of Minneapolis/St. Paul. Steve, SHARI, and their daughter, CHERYL, visited among relatives and friends which made it a very pleasant stay. . . News Flash--R/P member hero in Oklahoma Holiday Inn! It started when JOHN P. O'CONNOR and his family took a two-week vacation to Arizona. John, along with his wife, LORRAINE, and children, found out what it was like when the old thermometer gets up to +116. Hot, was the only way they could express it. In their travels, the O'Connor family stayed at various hotels, one in particular in Oklahoma. They were taking advantage of the swimming facilities and just relaxing on the poolside. As they watched everyone in the pool they noticed a young man waving and kicking. John at first thought nothing of this, just that the fellow was either playing around or some kind of nut. Then they heard a cry for help. John, like Superman himself, took off his glasses and shoes and dove into action. The fellow was going down for the first time. John had to wrestle with him to save both of them from drowning. John got him to the side of the pool and pulled him out to safety. The next day he saw the young man again. He looked at John but didn't give a word of thanks for his rescue. Don't feel bad, John, perhaps he was disappointed it wasn't a woman lifeguard that saved him...We wish to welcome GARY COKINS to the department. He will be working with us this summer as a trainee, and we hope he enjoys his stay with us.

(Reproduction Services) -

JOAN FITZGERALD and her girlfriend flew to Siesta Key at Sarasota, Florida, for one week and is now sporting a beautiful tan...The welcome mat is extended to MARY LOU PODALAK, dictaphone operator, who transferred from Charter Service...MARGE SCHINTZ became a proud grandmother when her daughter and son-in-law adopted a baby boy named MICHAEL STOKES...JOHN GRITIS, super-

THIS SMILING two-time champion is DAVID DOYLE, the grandson of rapid transit employes MILDRED and DAN DOYLE. A member of Cub Scout Pack No. 3242, David entered his race car, which he designed and built, in the Pinewood Derby at Burbank and won first prize. In June he entered the finals at Paw Waw and again he won. His grandfather, Dan, is a clerk at 54th Office, while grandma, Mildred, is a Loop ticket agent and reporter for the Transit News.

THIS BRIGHT-eyed little lady is SUSAN JOY KALASA, the one-year old granddaughter of North Park Operator HARRY OSOWSKI, of whom he is so proud and wanted everyone to see.

visor of the Duplicating Section, is sporting a cast on the right arm since he sustained a dislocated right thumb. John tells us it happened as he tripped over his puppy going down the stairs. How is the dog, John?

(Employment) -

The welcome mat is extended to the following: MARGUERITE LONGO, SANDRA KILTZ, and ROBERTA STEWARD, clerk-stenos, and to MARJORIE HOLMES, clerk-typist. We wish you a lot of luck in your new positions with the company. . . Congratulations are in order for ANITA CURTIS who was promoted to employment clerk III and we wish you the best of luck.

(Law) -

Pensioner VAL NESSINGER telephoned us to state that he would like to thank all of his CTA friends for the grand sendoff given to him at his retirement party on May 29. It was a day he will never forget.

(Medical) -

After the news went to press in the early part of May, RITA WANTROBA, X-ray technician, and her husband decided to drive to Florida. They got as far as Pompano Beach where they enjoyed the beautiful scenery, did quite a lot of swimming and sun-tanning as evidenced by the tan she is sporting...ARLENE PURALEWSKI, clerk-typist, and her husband, TOM, and her in-laws took a camping trip through the West. We understand she saw only two Indians thus far and still has her scalp.

(Treasury) -

MAURICE CONNORS, paymaster, presently is confined to Holy Cross hospital where he has undergone major surgery. We sure miss your smiling face on paydays, and hope you will soon be back.

(Executive) -

MARION WALSH, stenographer, after 23 years of service took an early retirement on August 1. A luncheon was held in the M&M Club which was attended by many of her friends.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

KEDZIE -

To all operators--if you had your vacation, let me know where you went, so I can write about your trip. I'm always looking for news. . . Superintendent M. HARRINGTON and Assistant Superintendent G. DAUBS would like to make Kedzie number one in the safety program, plus coffee on management. We can do it if we strive just a little harder. ..Instructor JACKSON wishes to thank all the line instructors and temporary line instructors for a job well done training our student drivers...Operator J. RICHARDSON and his wife took their three grandchildren out fishing. They caught more than grandpa. They also went to the Wisconsin Dells where they took in all the sights and tours and everyone had a grand time...I received a letter from Pensioner J. HATAWAY. He says hello to all at Kedzie. Hataway and his wife are leaving for a three-month tour of Europe. I know they'll have a great trip. Let me hear from you when you get back...While preparing this issue, Operator J. JACOBSEN is in West Lake hospital. We hope by the time this issue is out he will be on the road to recovery. . . Pensioner CHARLIE SEEBOCK took a trip to the West Coast. He's home now but not feeling too well. Charlie, everyone at Kedzie wishes you well and hopes you are up and around.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

Happy vacations to all you guys and gals. As an opening observation for this bit of trivia, heed: a resort is a place where the natives live on your vacation money until next summer...Thanks to SY GOLDMAN for sending us a beautiful card from Detroit, Michigan. . . Operator MITCHEL LEE and his wife, BOBBIE, his son, ADRIAN, and his daughter, ELLEN, enjoyed a brief vacation in Clarksdale, Mississippi...Operator J. P. POWELL is rightly proud as his summer visitor is his mom, LUELLA. The real kicker is that this is the first time in 22 years that his mother has left the hometown area in Cleveland, Ohio. Let's not wait so long next time, mom...Garage Foreman "Cha-Cha" MORALES returned to the old sod of Mexico for his vacation. My Spanish is very limited--but a happy hot tamale to you, Cha-Cha...Station Instructor C. WEYER is proud as punch of his 25th anniversary as an employe with CTA, August 1. Congratulations!..Operator ANDY and HILDEGARDE GRABOWITZ commemorated 17 years of peaceful (?) coexistence on July 17...Operator M. J. MYERS gave himself a very lovely belated birthday gift four years ago. His birthday was July 30, and he acquired his wife, GEORGIA, August 13...Garageman K. SANDRIK and his wife, EVELYN, celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary (with a fifth?) August 28...Last time somebody goofed. The printed word gave salutations to WHITEY SZYMELL's wife, HELEN. However, her name was spelled ANN. I wonder who Whitey was thinking of when he gave me the news, for I already knew that the missus' name was Helen, but I write it like I get it...When it comes to economizing, I think Operator MELVIN STOKES is a graduate summa cum laude in the field. Look what he does with one birthday cake. His birthday, July 11; his son, MELVIN Jr., July 2; his daughter, ROCHELLE, July 12; his son, MATHEW, August 2, and his wife, GENEVA, August 5. That's real togetherness. Congratulations to all...Operator E. FOREMAN had to get his wife, LOUISE, a real good birthday gift July 10 as his was July 15...Operator J. J. JOHNSON owned up to another year July 25. J.J.'s birthday always depresses me because he was a schoolmate of my youngest daughter...Operator JOE VALTIERRA made a pot of chili for his wife, RACHEL, with floating hot peppers saying happy birthday, August 3. Hmmm, Joe, I wonder if I can make a chitterling pie for myself in February?..Little NICOLE PERRY takes

NEW PENSIONERS

J. F. GRANT
47 Years

M. J. RIDGE
42 Years

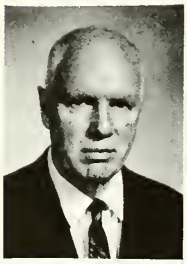
F. T. GILL
43 Years

J. L. CLARK
43 Years

T. A. BOCHNIK
40 Years

E. H. BROWN
41 Years

J. J. MORAN
45 Years



L. E. DREW
45 Years

JOHN H. APPELHANS, Carpenter "A",
Engineering, Emp. 8-8-39
TED A. BOCHNIK, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 10-4-29
EDWARD H. BOOMGARN, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 12-21-36
EDGER H. BROWN, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 10-10-28
ELEANOR BROWNE, Clerk,
Employe Relations, Emp. 8-19-46
GEORGE H. BUGASCH, Yard Foreman,
North Section, Emp. 1-6-47
EDWARD P. BYRNE, Bus & Truck Mechanic,
South Shops, Emp. 12-20-46
MARTIN CAPLIS, Bus Serviceman,
69th Street, Emp. 11-8-40
JOSEPH CHROSTOSKI, Painter Helper,
South Shops, Emp. 7-8-47
DANIEL CLARK, Garage Foreman "B",
Limits, Emp. 6-2-35
JOHN L. CLARK, Yard Foreman,
West Section, Emp. 6-7-27
GUY P. COLUMBO, Car Repairman "A",
Wilson Shops, Emp. 2-4-31
PATRICK CONSIDINE, Bus Repairer,
77th Street, Emp. 7-7-37
GERALD B. DALTON, Bus Repairer,
77th Street, Emp. 9-21-20
LAWRENCE E. DREW, Blacksmith-Welder,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 3-14-25
PATRICK J. FLYNN, Chief Collector,
South Section, Emp. 1-13-43
ALFRED B. GIDDINS, Investigator I,
Claim, Emp. 4-4-50
FRANK T. GILL, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 3-3-27
JOHN F. GRANT, Assistant Foreman,
Limits, Emp. 9-6-22
WILLIAM C. GURGEL, Print Shop Foreman,
South Shops, Emp. 6-17-20
MATTHEW HILLGOTH, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 11-27-33
SAMUEL INGRAFFIA, Laborer,
West Shops, Emp. 11-16-43
VINCENT B. KORTZ, Shopman,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 2-3-43
CLIFFORD E. LUNDIN, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 6-5-43
STANLEY E. McCLEAN, Conductor,
North Section, Emp. 10-5-43
REDMOND T. McGOVERN, Conductor,
West Section, Emp. 6-24-42
THOMAS McGOVERN, District Superintendent,
North Section, Emp. 9-16-26
AUGUST J. MISCHKE, Jr., Car Repairman "A",
Wilson Shops, Emp. 11-16-50
JOHN J. MORAN, Clerk,
South Section, Emp. 3-5-25
HILTON NICHOLS, Operator,
52nd Street, Emp. 1-31-44

PICTURED HERE are eight employes who retired during July and August with 40 or more years of transit service each with CTA and its predecessor companies.

ANDREW A. PACEWICZ, Bus Serviceman,
North Park, Emp. 5-15-42
LEO J. PETERS, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 5-21-42
HORACE E. REGNIER, Bus & Truck Specialist,
South Shops, Emp. 1-22-47
MICHAEL J. RIDGE, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 1-18-28
JOSEPH R. SCHULTZ, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 4-16-34
THOMAS VALENZIA, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 11-16-43
ERICH H. WAGNER, Motorman,
North Section, Emp. 10-6-43
MARION E. WALSH, Steno V,
Executive, Emp. 6-1-45
HUGH WHITEHEAD, Sr., Car Serviceman,
Dan Ryan, Emp. 2-11-53
OLIVER S. WIKRENT, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 6-26-43
WINFRED W. WILSON, Collector,
Kedzie, Emp. 8-15-42

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

MICHAEL J. COLEMAN, Car Repairman,
Forest Park, Emp. 1-10-49
IVORY GRAPH, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 4-10-51
RAYMOND L. HORNBECK, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 8-11-42
JOHN P. HRUSKA, Shopman,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 10-17-50
JOHN J. KAIN, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 11-18-36
MARCO LOCASTO, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 8-5-41
ANN K. O'CONNOR, Ticket Agent,
South Section, Emp. 1-9-54
HAROLD J. TURNER, Janitor,
South Section, Emp. 11-28-50
JESSE WILLIAMS, Car Repairman "A",
61st Street, Emp. 6-15-53

BUS REPAIRER GERALD B. DALTON (right) of 77th Street Garage is shown with **G. J. CLARK**, superintendent of shops and equipment, upon his retirement July 1 after 49 years of service. Gerald was feted at a dinner in his honor by his co-workers.

all the thunder out of dad's birthday. Nicole gets her gifts on August 15, so there isn't much enthusiasm left for Operator W. PERRY on August 24...Win, lose, or also ran; our heartiest congratulations to our station's softball team, and to Coach ANTHONY (Leo) BERRY...Well, folks, if I missed contacting you this issue, next time look me up. So to conclude this vacation issue, here's a "Ain't it the truth" --No man needs a vacation so much as the person who has just had one. Bye.

- Ernest C. Carter

LIMITS -

Vacation time is in full swing and the men at Limits are fully enjoying their vacations. . . Operator BILL ALBRO spent most of his time in Iowa where the fishing wasn't too good, but the weather was ideal...Supervisor "RED" GOETZ spent his time up in Wisconsin where he has a summer home and was kept busy working and improving it...Congratulations to EDWARD DAPPEN who was elected board member at Limits. He was elected after two run-off elections...ART MAAS has retired as treasurer of the Limits Credit Union. CONRAD JOHNSON has replaced him and we all know that he is very capable for the position. Congratulations! Should any of you men need financial assistance for any reason, see him or any of the other officers and they will be more than happy to help you...Our mechanics have been busy these summer months installing new radiator and heater hoses, plus thermostats in all of the buses so that there will be plenty of heat during the cold winter months. Thank you, fellows...SAM GAFFIN, former operator from North Park, paid us a visit. He is now in the Electrical Department and enjoys his work very much... PETER COLUCCI spent some time down in Galesburg, Illinois, where he attended the Eagles convention, and reported that a good time was had by all...Operators D. FINOCCHIO, A. CHRISMAN, and NASH are on the inactive list due to illness. May you fellows have a speedy recovery and be back with us soon... Former Operator and Supervisor FRANK HESS is also on the sick list and has been critically ill. We all hope that you will improve as time goes on...MATTHEW HUSTON and his dear wife, MADELIENE, welcomed a new arrival in their home. His name is DARREL MATTHEW. Congratulations to the proud parents...Our sincerest sympathy to the family of Supervisor HERBERT JEFFERIES who passed away.

- R. S. Benson

LOOP -

Agent M. HASSE had a birthday on June 27. Her son, JIM, a clerk at 77th Street depot, had his birthday June 24, and his wife, DARLENE, had hers on July 5. So they all got together and had a great time celebrating... Retired Janitor WILLIAM PATTERSON and his wife, ADDIE, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 12. Their home was decorated with wedding bells hung here and there. The living room had a beautiful arrangement of flowers on a table which was loaded with lovely gifts. At about noon the minister and guests arrived and Mr. and Mrs. Patterson renewed their marriage vows. A reception was held at 2944 W. Washington boulevard and over 100 guests were present. Seated next to the happy couple were their two married children, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. William was born in 1898, mar-

ried in 1920, and worked for the CTA from 1943 to 1963. We all wish you both many more years of happy married life and good health...Janitor C. JONES spent one week of his vacation going over his car and getting it in tip-top shape. On the last part of his vacation, he will drive his daughter to Pennsylvania State college...We hear that Agent ANN SMAGON is coming along very well after breaking a leg...Sorry to hear that Agent SHEILA MURPHY gave up the assignment job. But it's nice to have her back on the line again...It was quite an expensive June for Agent J. FILIPEK and his wife, ELEANOR. Their youngest daughter was graduated from high school and JOHN Jr. was graduated from grammar school. . . Agent M. NOLAN is back on the job and looking great...Pensioner EDITH EDBROOKE and her sister are really enjoying their lovely new condominium in Clearwater, Florida...Agent MARY JO OHNESORGE is back on the job again. So sorry you fell and hurt your arm, but why pick a Sunday and at church to do it...Agent MARTHA BLEERS really enjoyed her vacation this year. Her first week was spent with her family and darling grandchildren. It was all fun outdoors. They went swimming, had several cookouts, and found many places to go. Martha also had a family get-together to celebrate her father-in-law's birthday. He is a sweet young man of 93. Martha is known among her family and friends as being a top cook. She prepared a big turkey dinner with all the trimmings and it really was hard for everyone to get away from the table. They just couldn't stop eating, everything was so good. Martha is very happy with her family and she is a very wonderful mother and grandmother. Oh, belated birthday wishes to her father-in-law...Retired Assignment Clerk MARGARET QUEENAN is feeling great. She still lives in Oak Park and would like to be remembered to her friends...Agent DOROTHY ADLER along with her mother and father vacationed in Phoenix and Las Vegas, and then spent some time with her daughter in San Francisco...Agent J. BAREKMAN just returned from California where she spent a little over a week. She also went to Mexico...Someone spread the word around that an agent named W. PFEIFFER has a new sharp car, a Maverick. He's not watching the girls going by, they are watching him. . . Poor Agent JIMMY GEORGE spent one week of his vacation working very hard cleaning and painting his home in Wisconsin. Now, when he gets his next few weeks of vacation he will sit under a shade tree and drink beer and maybe do a little fishing...Agent JOHN SAMAAN was graduated from the University of Chicago on June 4. He received a degree in electrical engineering. John will continue his schooling at either Illinois Institute of Technology or the University of Illinois. Graduation was held at Thorne hall on Lake Shore Drive with a reception following. John said his dad and mother were the happiest folks in the United States. John announced his engagement to Miss C. SAKOWICZ. The wedding will take place next June. Miss Sakowicz is the daughter of Disk Jockey Sig Sakowicz on WGN. Congratulations to you both...Agent L. SOUTHALL said she will say "I do" sometime in September. The lucky fellow is a bus driver for CTA...Our thoughts go out in sympathy to the family of Former Agent VICTOR LeBEAU who passed away on June 18...Our sincerest thoughts reach out to Agent MARY STANZYCK and her family in understanding sympathy on the loss of their son and brother, EDWARD, who passed away so suddenly at the age of 18...Our deepest sympathy to the mother and family of Agent MARGO D. BOGGS who passed away on June 23...Starry-eyed Agent JUANITA HARRISON is traveling on cloud nine these days. Juanita and Instructor WILLIAM JONES are planning to be married in August. Best wishes for a long and happy future to this handsome couple...One day I hear Agent LILLIAN CONROY is convalescing at home, then I hear she is back. So whatever it may be, we do hope you are back as your public awaits you. If you are back, great, and slow down...Agent A. (Butch) TURNER has been wearing a wide, wide belt with all her lovely dresses lately. A new fashion trend?..Up! Up! And away. Agent JIM CARNEY flew to Denver for a long, lost weekend. Jim enjoyed the quiet flight so much he is going again soon. Just who is it that is getting so much attention, Jim?..Let's hope that Agent ELOISE WASH's daughter has recuperated fully from her auto accident...Agent E. SHAY has returned from a nice quiet vacation...Agent G. HARDING had a lovely vacation in Nebraska and California. Those first few days back are kind of rough, Genny, but remember there's still more vacation ahead...TED KARRISON, the son of Congress Trainman G. KARRISON, has been appointed by Congressman J. Klyczynski to the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colorado. Ted was graduated from Revis High school and will enter the academy in September. Good luck, Ted...Congratulations to Retired Trainman WILLIAM J. CONLEY and his wife who celebrated their 43rd wedding anniversary on July 16. A big dinner was held in their honor and was attended by their children, grandchildren, and many friends. We all wish you both many more years of happy married life. One of Mr. and Mrs. Conley's grandsons was graduated from high school in June...No doubt you will all wonder why MARY WIXTED's name is along with mine at the end of this column. Well, Mary has done such a marvelous job in getting news, that when Editor Bob Heinlein was told about her good work, he said OK, let's give her some of the credit for this very interesting news. So, let's all welcome Mary and don't let her down. You can find Mary at Ext. 597, Tuesday through Friday until 10:30 a.m., and my extension Monday through Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., is 2486. We both thank you and welcome any news.

- Mildred Doyle & Mary Wixted

LOOKING VERY young and spry is Pensioner ANTHONY J. SCHVAGZDYS who now makes his home in Arlington, Texas. Tony formerly worked as a car repairer at the old Cottage Grove barn.

MILWAUKEE, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Co-reporter GRACE MOUNTS and her husband are taking a trip to Colorado Springs to do some sightseeing and to visit her son and his family. Grace sent a card and it sure sounds like they are having a great time, even though the temperature is 105...MARY HURDLE's son, BRUCE, was graduated from Shoope Grade school. Mary and her husband attended Bruce's prom, and said it brought back

PICTURED HERE is lovely LILLA ANN BOOTHROYDE, the daughter of ANN and OWEN BOOTHROYDE, who was graduated from West Suburban School of Nursing. Ann is a North Section ticket agent and Owen is a bus operator at North Park Station.

memories of her high school prom...On June 12, JUANITA EDEN celebrated her 30th birthday while her mother, WILMA, who is a North Side ticket agent, was vacationing in Las Vegas...Congratulations to Mr. LOWENSTEIN on his promotion to District Superintendent of the South Section... MARY GALLAGHER spent a two-week vacation on the beaches of Tampa, Florida. She must have spent all of her time in the sun because she came back with a beautiful tan. ..Assignment Agent LIL CULLINAN is going to spend her vacation in the North Woods of Wisconsin. The last time Lil was there she went fishing and caught twelve bullheads and two big northern pike. Hope you can do as well this time, Lil. . . BILL PFEIFFER, formerly known as BILL GREEN, is now a big league coach for the Little Flower Athletics. Bill said his team was doing so well that the least they can do is end up in second place. Good luck to Bill and all his little ones...TRACEY JENNIFER HOLMES, the daughter of Assignment Agent JACKIE and North Section Trainman WILBER T., celebrated her first six months in this world on June 29. According to Jackie, Tracey not only walks and talks but she can read, write, and do her multiplication tables up to nine. Jackie does tend to exaggerate when she talks about her little girl...Student Agent JOHN SAMAAN became engaged to CHRISTINE SAKOWICZ on July 11. The best of luck to John and Christine...JOHN DeSTEFANO, a student at DePaul university, was elected to Beta Alpha Psi, the national honor fraternity of accountants, for outstanding achievements in accounting and commerce in general...MARY STANCZYK wishes to thank her fellow employes for their many kind wishes after the death of her son...We wish to extend our sympathy to the family of Agent MARGO BOGGS who passed away after a long illness...TOM COZZI came back to us again this summer with some good news. Tom made the dean's list at Loyola. He is majoring in biology and will be a junior in the fall... FRED FRIEB is glad to be back from his vacation. Fred spent the entire two weeks painting for his daughter and helping to move his son to McHenry. The vacation is over, Fred, so you can relax now and enjoy being an agent again. ..BRENDA CASSELL and her family are going to spend their vacation in New York...Superintendent JIM ROBERTS' son, JIM Jr., who worked four years as a student trainman, was graduated from Les college and has accepted a position as head coach at Balfour High school in Balfour, North Dakota...ANN SMAGON is back to work after being off several weeks with a broken ankle. . . Student Agent SEEPERSAD SOOGRIM and his wife are the proud parents of a son, CARLO YABUT SOOGRIM, born on May 17...It's good to see JIM HARTIGAN, a.m. clerk at Lake Street, back to work after his illness. . . PAT WILFORD, EDNA SMITH, ROSEMARY BARNETT, ARDINA THOMAS, and MADELINE THOMAS spent their vacations in the Bahamas. They all came back tired and poor, which is a sure sign that they enjoyed it very much. . . Retired Chief Collector SPIRO LAMPROS was out to visit Lake Street. Spiro looks great and seems to be really enjoying his pension. He and his wife made a trip to Greece to celebrate the Greek Easter. . . Collector TOM RAPP has completed his training for switchman. If you ever see a Lake-Dan Ryan train rambling down the Congress expressway you'll know who did it. ..We want to welcome all the new and re-hired student agents and hope they have a good summer with CTA.

- Grace Mounts & Katy Moriarty

NORTH AVENUE -

Supervisor Instructor JERRY KNOPF will complete 30 years with the CTA and CSL on September 26. He will celebrate his 33rd wedding anniversary September 25 with his wife, HENRIETTA. Operator NICK DEFINA and his wife, RUTH, will celebrate their 33rd anniversary on August 24. Operator JOSEPH WILCZYNSKI and his wife, EMMA, will celebrate their 30th anniversary on August 17. Joe is surprising his wife with a tour of Europe. Supervisor JOSEPH IACONO and his wife, LILA, will celebrate their 31st anniversary on September 10. They will spend a week at the Playboy Club at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Operator PETER DOWDALL and his wife, BERNICE, celebrated their 33rd anniversary June 24. Pete took his wife to Colorado Springs, Colorado, to celebrate. While there he visited his nephew, MICHAEL DOWDALL, at the Air Force Academy. Mike graduated seventh out of 737 for top honors. He will attend Baylor Medical school to further his education. Operator JEROME DUBIN and his wife, GERTRUDE, celebrated their 30th anniversary on July 27. They had a house mass. Jerry is still in very good form and so is his wife. Congratulations to all. My wife and I will celebrate our 33rd anniversary on August 14. We will have dinner at a restaurant with our family; Clerk WAYNE MIEDEMA and his wife, BONNIE; Clerk BILL MIEDEMA of Forest Glen and his wife, JACKIE; my son, DAVID, and my mother-in-law...Chief Clerk FRED MURBARGER spent his vacation at Homestead, Illinois. Clerk ROBERT STACK, his wife, JEANETTE, and their daughter, DOROTHY, will visit their daughter, JUDY, at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, on their vacation. She manages a band called "Stained Glass Window" now playing at the Marlin Beach hotel. Bob celebrated his birthday July 16 while on vacation. We wish him many happy returns. On my vacation I went fishing with Pensioner ERNEST BOCK and my son, DAVID. We caught 15 trout and one channel cat. David was thrilled about catching two trout and one catfish. I also saw two doubleheaders at Wrigley Field with Cub-fan David. The Cubs won three in a row and lost one...Operator WILLIAM REDMOND was on the sick list. Operator GEORGE SNEAD was also ill. . Switchboard Operator WALTER BLIX was in Edgewater hospital. Operator ALFRED SKONIE was in St. Anne's hospital. We hope all are enjoying good health now. My wife is well again after surgery at West Suburban hospital...We extend our sympathy to the family of Repair Department Instructor AL CLIFF who passed away recently... Clerk ARTHUR ECKER now owns a 1970 Maverick provided by a loan from North Avenue Credit Union. The fine men who work with the credit union are always willing and

ready to help when the need arises. Many thanks, fellows, for doing a fine job...BILL ECHOLS is well and enjoyed a visit from his sister who lives in Florida...Superintendent FRANK BUETOW received a letter from Pensioner FRANK MACHOWSKI who is well. His address is 2407 W. Laurel Lane, Phoenix, Arizona 85029...I met former North Avenue Operator PATRICK GILL who is now paint foreman for the elevated and surface divisions. He says "hello" to all his old friends...Operator TED BOCHNIK took his pension July 1. Good luck, Ted, and let us hear from you...We hope you all enjoy the Labor Day weekend.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

Instructors WALTER STEINBEISS, WILLIAM PARNUM, ARTHUR HIGGINS, ED WESTON, BOB MORRISON, and EDWARD SCHAMB take this opportunity to thank the line instructors and the temporary line instructors for their part in breaking in the college students for summer work... MARY ANN BRUDNEY, the daughter of Operator GENE BRUDNEY, was married on Saturday, June 27, to Mr. MICHAEL MARINO in St. William's church. The reception held at the Royale Gardens hall was attended by 275 guests. The young couple honeymooned in Florida and will be at home on the Northwest Side of Chicago...ROGER HORNING, the son of Operator/Reporter MEL and VIOLET HORNING, was married on Saturday, July 11, to Miss CYNTHIA MICHALIK in Our Lady of Hope church in Rosemont, Illinois. The reception was held at the Kenilworth Inn, with the immediate families attending. The young couple honeymooned in the Bahama islands. . . DANIEL KNUDSEN, the son of Operator BILL KNUDSEN, was graduated on June 10 from Prospect Heights Grade school and plans to enter Hersey High school in Mt. Prospect this fall...ELYSE LIBERT, the daughter of Operator MORT LIBERT, was graduated from Niles East High school on June 17. Elyse will attend Loop university this fall. She received a new automobile from her father as a graduation gift...GARY KEMP, the son of Operator CHARLES KEMP, was graduated from Maine South High school and will enroll at Triton college this fall...SCOTT MORRISON, the son of Instructor BOB MORRISON, was graduated from Lane Technical High school and plans to enroll at Galdet college in Washington, D.C...ELIZABETH SCHRAMM, the wife of Operator HANK SCHRAMM, had the misfortune of falling down their back stairs and breaking her right leg in the process. The Schramms were starting on their vacation at the time, so it was a mighty tough break for Elizabeth... HELEN KEMP, the wife of Operator CHARLES KEMP, had surgery at St. Francis hospital, and at this writing is convalescing very well...Operator JIM RENTSCHLER wishes to take this opportunity to thank his friends for the many cards and calls he received after his operation at St. Francis hospital. Jim is recovering very well and hopes to be back soon...Operator LARRY SHIELDS underwent surgery at West Suburban hospital and at this writing is convalescing satisfactorily...The Schiller Male Chorus, of which Operator FRED ANHALT is a member, gave a concert at St. John's Arena on the Ohio State university campus in Columbus, Ohio, and were well received...TOM CARR, the son of Operator LE ROY CARR, is going to Europe's Oceanography School of Marine Biology. Tom's first stop will be at Jockane Costa Institute of Oceanography, Monaco, France, and then to Rotterdam, Netherlands, London, England, and Belfast, Ireland. This fall Tom will enter Miami university after having attended Harper college for two years...ROBERT GOTTERT, the son of Operator EDWARD GOTTERT, was released from the U.S. Army when he returned from his tour of duty in Viet Nam. Robert is now back to work at the Lincoln National Bank as a programmer...Congratulations to Instructor BOB MORRISON who has been selected for the dispatchers pool and is looking forward to this new challenge...Operator HAROLD SEDIN is now driving a '70 Ford Fairlane, while Operator RAY CLONIGER has bought a '69 Ford Thunderbird, and Supervisor GEORGE HAND has a '70 Chrysler Newport with all the accessories...Operator LES NELAND and his wife, PEGGY, are featured on the cover of the 1970 Red Book telephone directory. The picture in the upper right hand corner was taken while they were fishing at Montrose harbor...Sp. 4 ROBERT NEWTON enjoyed an R&R vacation in Tokyo, Japan, and took in Expo '70, enjoying the sights... In the Illinois Music Association's tenth annual contest held recently, DEBRA AYOTTE, the daughter of Operator ROGER AYOTTE, won a first place prize in the organ junior division...CAROLYN RHIMES, the daughter of Operator TEX RHIMES, was awarded ten ribbons, two plaques, and one trophy for hair styling in a contest held in Austin, Texas...Pfc. LAWRENCE J. COSTLEY Jr., the son of Supervisor LARRY COSTLEY, returned from his furlough and was shipped to Saigon, Viet Nam, with the 52nd Signal Battalion of the U.S. Army...DEBRA SAUER, the daughter of Operator CHARLES SAUER, was elected to the National Honor Society at Roosevelt High school where she is a sophomore. Another daughter, SHARON, was married on Sunday, June 21, to MICHAEL PAPPAS in the Episcopal Church of the Advent...Pensioner FRANK HESS of Forsyth, Missouri, is hospitalized at Grant hospital and our prayers are with Frank for a complete recovery...CAROL ANN COLBURN, the daughter of Operator BOB and EMELIA CIESLA, gave birth to a son, HUGH ROBERT, born May 27 at Wesley Memorial hospital, weighing 8 pounds 2 ounces. Being Bob's first grandchild, a prouder grandfather I have never seen...Operator SAM BAKER and his wife, HELEN, became grandparents for the first time when their son, CHARLES, and his wife, BARBARA, became parents of a

PICTURED HERE are a group of active and retired operators of Forest Glen Station on a fishing trip at Maple Leaf resort on Leach Lake in Minnesota. Left to right, front row: BILL LYNAM, FRED HERMANN, GEORGE DILLAS, and ED DIETZ. Second row: GEORGE WICKMAN, GEORGE SPORLEDER, BARNEY ANDREWS, and WALTER MIELA.

son, TYRONE DOUGLAS, born on May 29 at Highland Park, California, hospital, weighing 9 pounds 11 ounces. We at North Park add our congratulations to the parents and grandparents...Operator BILL STRIZEL became a father for the sixth time when his wife, BRIDGET, gave birth to a daughter named BRIDGET ANN who was born June 2 at Ravenswood hospital...Operator JAMES HALL and his wife, VIRGINIA, vacationed at Miami Beach, Florida. Highlights of the trip were visits to the home of Mr. and Mrs. NICK O'LEARY and a trip to the Everglades where the alligators put on a great show. James and Virginia returned home with a fine sun tan...Operator PAUL KLUG and his wife, ANN, spent a week with Ann's mother, Mrs. VICTORIA AMBROSE, in Springfield, Illinois. The Klugs went mushroom picking with Mrs. Ambrose who has won three state titles for her canned mushrooms...Operator JOHN BRANDICH along with his son, JOHN Jr., and his wife, MYRTLE, spent a week fishing at Bull Shoals, Arkansas. John was very enthusiastic about Bull Shoals as the fishing was excellent and the weather great...Operator HANK NEWMAN and his wife, LEONA, vacationed at Marionette, Wisconsin, where they stayed with Mrs. MABEL TOUSIGNANT. Hank and Leona, who make a great fishing team, reported great results from the trip...Chief Clerk RAY SIMON enjoyed his annual vacation at Noblesville, Indiana, where he goes to relax and take care of his garden and roses. We expect to receive our annual crop of vegetables from Ray again...Operator BILL HODGSON and his wife, LORRY, spent a week at Iron Mountain, Michigan, where the fishing on the Menominee river was poor...Clerk JOE DI GIOVANNI and his wife, CONNIE, vacationed for a week at Las Vegas, Nevada, where they stayed at the Stardust hotel. Joe and Connie enjoyed the shows, meals, and had a ball playing the slot machines...Operator DON BENNETT and his wife, MARIE, visited with Mr. and Mrs. ADOLPH ARROUS of Harrison, Arkansas. On the agenda were stops at Bull Shoals, Mountain Home, Dog Patch, and the School of the Ozarks...Pensioner ART MUIR and his wife, RUTH, were visitors in Chicago attending the graduation of their granddaughter, DARLENE MUIR. The Muirs had a very exciting week visiting with their many Chicagoland friends...Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Operator MORT LIBERT and his wife, LOIS, their 20th; Operator BOB CIESLA and his wife, EMELIA, their 34th; Operator HAROLD JULITZ and his wife, ANN, their 36th; Operator ROY THOMPSON and his wife, GENEVIEVE, their 44th; Operator KAZ YAWORSKI and his wife, FLORENCE, their 15th; Operator JOHN SUMMERSON and his wife, CHARLOTTE, their 18th; Operator CHESTER OLENSKI and his wife, JOANNE, their 20th; Operator BEN SECLER and his wife, NATALIE, their 19th; Operator EDGER NEWTON and his wife, FRANCES, their 34th; Operator JERRY BUDZISZ and his wife, HELEN, their 14th; Pensioner and Mrs. ALVIN DAVIS, their 26th; Pensioner ART MUIR and his wife, RUTH, their 46th; Pensioner MAURICE MARTENS and his wife, AGNES, their 34th; Operator JACK URBAN and his wife, SARAH, their 34th; Operator WALTER UHLEMAN and his wife, LEONA, their 35th; Operator BILL KNIGHT and his wife, ELKINA, their 24th; Operator LEROY CARR and his wife, LOUISE, their 24th; Operator GORDEN RICE and his wife, EDITH, their 28th; Clerk SAM GIRARD and his wife, WANDA, their 29th; Pensioner TED DIDIER and his wife, MADA, their 37th; Operator CHARLES KEMP and his wife, HELEN, their 25th; Operator RALPH ILLION and his wife, LILLIAN, their 29th; Operator ED GOTTERT and his wife, ISABEL, their 35th; Operator JOHN GUZALDO and his wife, ROSALIE, their 37th; Pensioner BILL SEIFERT and his wife, MIN, their 39th; Pensioner LE ROY PEDERSEN and his wife, BERNICE, their 45th; Operator LUIS ENDARA and his wife, CARMEN, their 14th; Operator GEORGE VOIGHT and his wife, BEA, their 4th; Operator HAROLD BASON and his wife, NORA, their 31st; Operator PETE MARCHISOTTO and his wife, FELICIA, their 35th; Operator CARL HANSON and his wife, SANDRA, their 16th; Operator McKINLEY DAVENPORT and his wife, MARY, their 15th; Operator WILLARD FRIEB and his wife, ADELAIDE, their 22nd; Operator JOHN WILSON and his wife, REBECCA, their 11th, and Instructor MELVIN LINK and his wife, ELSIE, their 20th...Happy birthdays are extended to the following: Operators LE ROY CARR, JOHN COSGROVE, WALTER UHLEMAN, BOB CIESLA, JOHN MARCINIAK, LEONARD BAEUCHLER, MORT LIBERT, PETER DOLAN, ROY RIPKA, and to WARREN SCHOLL, DEBBIE FRIEB, MARCI LYNN LICHTER, EDWARD, ROY and KEITH KURCZEWSKI, LEONA NEWMAN, AMELIA CIESLA, PETER and BRIAN DOLAN, ANNA NEGELE, LOIS LIBERT, JUDY ELLEN LICHTER, PRINCESS DAVENPORT, ELIZABETH and ISMENA RIPKA, and GINO PAOLI. ..Our sympathy and condolences to the ABERNATHY family on the loss of their beloved husband and father, Operator and Board Member TEX ABERNATHY; to Pensioner LE ROY PEDERSEN on the loss of his mother and son, LE ROY Jr., and to Sanitary Engineer TONY GLOPPE on the loss of his father, INGARD GLOPPE...Repair Department Chit Chat--Enjoying vacations are: WALLY HALLFORD, JOHN LOFTUS, BILL STAUNTON, FRANK BOGLIO, J. FLARSKI, T. McGUIGAN, and TOM CHIOVINO... Repairman DAN PRISBLE had an operation on his knee at Bethesda hospital and is sorely missed at the garage... Clerk ERNIE LOTITO had an operation on his knee at Edgewater hospital and, at this writing, the work is piling up for Ernie at his desk...Serviceman ANDY PACEWICZ retired on July 1 and is going to relax and take his fishing pole to task...The sympathy of the garage is extended to the family of Repairman FRANK CAHILL who passed away.

- Melvin Horning

LOVELY MARY ANN REGAN received a four-year scholarship to attend the University of Illinois at Urbana in the fall. Mary Ann is the daughter of Operator TERRY REGAN, North Avenue Station.

NORTH SECTION -

Motorman CHARLES READ and his wife, Agent NORA READ, and their daughters, CARMEN and CAROLE, left on July 6 for a vacation on the east coast of England, with a visit to Ireland... Congratulations to part-time Conductor W. KING and his wife on the birth of a baby boy on July 3.

The little tyke weighed in at 7 pounds 15 ounces...Supervisor BOB THOMAS and his family went on vacation to Youngstown, Ohio, and East Liverpool where they visited Bob's mother. They then went to St. Ignace, Michigan, and to Mackinac Island with a trip through the Canadian Locks. ..Congratulations to Instructor AL ZAGEL and Miss DEBBIE COPLON on their engagement in June. No date has been set for the wedding...Pool Supervisor JERRY THIVEL was made regular supervisor in June. Good luck, Jerry... Agent JEANNE GOLSTON had a week's vacation and traveled to St. Louis, Missouri, and Detroit, Michigan...Our sympathy and condolences to Switchboard Operator JEAN HAMILTON, a former North Section ticket agent, on the death of her sister, MILDRED DeFAULT...June 21 was the day that Agent A. STERN left for California for three weeks to see his first grandchild. He also had a son who was graduated from Sullivan High school and elected to the National Honor Society. He plans to enter Illinois Institute of Technology to become an aeronautical engineer...Former Student Agent TED BRENNEN recently became engaged and will be married on October 31. Congratulations, Ted...Student Ticket Agent BILL SHACK resigned from the CTA on June 10. We are sorry to see you go, Bill, and we wish you good luck in your new venture...The North Section employes were saddened to hear that Former Motorman LOUIS HERMAN passed away on July 11, and also former platform man at Kimball, JOSEPH O'TOOLE. Our sympathy to their families...Relief Superintendent R. SUTA had a week's vacation. Although he didn't go anywhere, he managed to get a good tan while putt-putting around on his power mower...Boy, talk about the luck of the Irish. ERICK LARSEN and CHARLIE SOUTHARD went to Canada and came home with 90 pounds of fillet fish. They are supposed to have caught them. Let's hope this is no fish story...Welcome back to work to DARLENE BOHANNON and EVELYN LANZ. Both are North Side ticket agents who have been on the sick list. Also LORRAINE ORR and PETER RAGO... Ticket Agent JOHN JORDAN was in California for four weeks for a family reunion. While there he celebrated his birthday...Agent ANDY THELIN resigned from the CTA for service in the naval air corps on July 16. His father is also a ticket agent. We wish him good luck and Godspeed. Agent JANICE INGRAM also resigned from the company, as her husband was transferred out of town...Ticket Agent FEDELMA HENRY spent a week at Fox Lake visiting with Retired Ticket Agent ELIZABETH DONAHUE. Elizabeth wishes to be remembered to all her friends and sends her regards...Ticket Agent ANNABELLE DREW's son, FRANK, and his wife, CHARLENE, presented Annabelle with her third granddaughter whom they named FRANCINE LEONA. Annabelle's other son, RAY, and his wife, JUDY, presented her with her first grandson, CHRISTOPHER HENRY. Congratulations, grandma, may they bring you many moments of happiness...Our sympathy to Agent AVA THOMAS on the recent death of her sister...We wish to welcome the following persons as agents on the North Side: R. FELL, S. McDANSKY, M. GROARK, S. VALEUCAKENA, D. SIERS, and J. STRUSS...Happy birthday greetings to Student Agent ROSS NUCCIO. Ross' father is a motorman on the North Side...Birthday greetings are also extended to Agent SARA SIMMONS. Sara was feted with a birthday dinner by the members of her church. Many of her CTA friends attended the dinner...A speedy recovery to the following agents: ROSE KELLY, MARGARET O'BRIEN, PAT ROSENGARTEN, and DOREEN HORN...I wish to thank all the agents for the beautiful TV lamp that was given to me during my recent illness and also thanks for all the cards and phone calls.

- Tina Henke

ROBERT FLOWERS Jr. is shown proudly displaying the third place trophy he won for his race car design in the Pinewood Derby. A member of Cub Scout Pack No. 193, he is the son of Senior Foreman ROBERT FLOWERS Sr., Rapid Transit Inspection Terminals.

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

JACK TCHELEBIAN and his wife, SIMONE, traveled by car to Phoenix and visited with J. JACOBY, retired superintendent of District D. They continued on to California, stopping at San Diego, Los Angeles (where they spent some time with friends), went through the Sequoia National Forest, and San Francisco. Lake Tahoe and Salt Lake City were the last major stops on the trip before heading for home. It was a wonderful three weeks of vacation fun... JULIE WILLEM flew to Santiago, a city in the Dominican Republic, to attend the wedding of her son, RAYMOND, to ADELINA BIATO on June 13. The newlyweds spent their honeymoon in Mexico where they plan to make their home. Julie met many people, saw many of their different customs, and noticed that everything seemed to be built around flowers or some sort of vegetation. To conclude her vacation, she spent a week in Jamaica with her family and got sunburned...GEORGE A. RILEY and his wife, MADGE, began their vacation in St. Paul, Minnesota, where they spent a few days. Then they gave in to the beckoning call of the West, driving to Yellowstone National Park and the Teton Forest in Wyoming, and to Rapid City, South Dakota, staying for a day and night in Deadwood. Mt. Rushmore was the next stop, then on through the Badlands and back to Chicago. The weather was excellent and they had a very nice time...BILL DOEDEN drove to the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri where he stayed for eight days doing nothing special but relaxing and enjoying himself. He then spent a day at Meramec Caverns and Hannibal, Missouri, and Springfield, Illinois, before returning home from a restful vacation...ART ROEPKE and his wife, FLORENCE, flew to Denver again to visit with their son and have a vacation. Art put 1,500 miles on his son's car, traveling through Colorado. Some of the places they went to were Durango, Pikes Peak, Mesa Verde, Silverton, Cave of the Winds, and the Black Canyon. They had a real nice vacation...The KRAUSES, JACK & WANDA and FRANK & FLORENCE, recently drove to Chicago to visit with friends and relatives. They also flew to Las Vegas with BOB and JUNE QUETSCHKE for some fun and excitement. Needless to say, they came back with empty pockets, a sore arm, and tired from a very nice trip...Congratulations to THOMAS STIGLIC who became a grandfather for the third time on

July 9. His daughter, HELEN, and son-in-law, BRIAN, presented him with an 8 pound 1 ounce baby girl named MICHELLE LYNNE...JIM, the son of JAMES R. BLAA, was graduated from Riverside-Brookfield High school. He will attend the University of Utah and be a member of the NROTC this fall. Presently Jim is working in the Electrical Department and is the fourth generation of his family to work for the CTA. Best wishes for a very successful future...WALLY OQUIST is now the happy and proud owner of a new air conditioned LSTD. Well, that's what his wife calls it. If you're not sure what kind of car it is, just check with Wally. Hope you only have good luck with this car.

(Transportation Instruction) -

On June 26, CATHERINE, the daughter of JAMES J. LAHEY, exchanged marriage vows with JAMES HOWE at 6:30 p.m. mass at St. Peter Canisius church. Afterwards, a reception was held for the family and friends at Petricca's restaurant. Only four days later, Jim became a grandfather for the very first time. EVA ANN was born on June 30 and weighed 7 pounds 12¾ ounces. The proud parents are JUDITH and ROBERT COLLINS. Congratulations to the newlyweds, parents, and grandparents...The golf match of the year was recently held with F. WSOL and W. CHAMBERLAIN representing the station superintendents and R. PRYOR and T. STIGLIC representing the Instruction Department. It was a good game all the way to the end, with Instruction the victors. Congratulations to Ray who was elected president of the St. John Fisher Holy Name bowling league for the 1970-71 season.

(Traffic Planning) -

BILL WINTERS and his wife, MARION, and their daughter, SUE, went to Eagle River, Wisconsin, for a week of fishing and relaxation. They had good weather and caught a nice variety of good size fish. The second week he spent working around the house.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

CARMELLA GARGANO, formerly of this department, has been in Paris attending school. While vacationing in Chicago, she came to the Mart and spent a day visiting with her friends. Her tentative plans are to go to California and Quebec and then return to Paris and continue her education.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

Do we have vacations to report on? Just read the following and see...LARRY HEISE went to San Diego, California, for his vacation. One of the main reasons was to see his son graduate from U.S. Marine Corps training. This, he said, was very impressive...Lake of the Ozarks was the choice of W. SWAIN to relax and enjoy himself...R. BOWERS went to Arizona and then to Las Vegas for his vacation. He had a good time, but didn't come home a winner... ART FRANK and his wife went to Hawaii with the Optical and Optometrist association. They flew to Los Angeles and then boarded a 747 jet for beautiful Hawaii...OTTO SANTESON, who since retiring makes his home in Florida, has been doing some traveling. He went to Los Angeles, Reno, Denver, and while in Chicago stopped in at Blue Island to see his friends and say hello. Otto also told them about the Caribbean cruise he went on and the stops they made at St. Thomas, San Juan, and Newport. Is he enjoying his retirement? You bet he is!..New Orleans was the spot chosen by PAT PORCELIUS and his wife to spend their vacation...WALTER JOHNSON didn't relax on his last vacation. Instead, he worked getting his summer home ready so he could enjoy the nice warm weather and just take it easy during the summer...Congratulations to O. W. JOHNSON and his wife on their 20th wedding anniversary. They celebrated this occasion by having a gathering of their family and friends...Congratulations are also extended to FRED WILSON who was elected district commander of Amvet Post No. 6 in Gary, Indiana, and also to JAMES J. ROCHE who was elected commander of Amvet Post No. 13. Jim and his wife also attended the state convention at Mt. Vernon, Illinois, and had a real nice time...Our sympathy is extended to J. KUTA and R. RENTZ whose wives recently passed away, and to JOE MULREE on the loss of his father-in-law.

THIS IS little SCOTT BROWN, the 20-month old son of Conductor FRED BROWN, West Section, whom his dad says is only quiet when he has his bottle stuck in his mouth.

- Colette Szczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Hello, everyone, from CATHY and JOHN!..MARGE HANSON, Purchasing Department, who's been off sick since February 3, would like to express her sincerest thanks for all who have sent her cards. She is slowly on her way to recovery, and we hope to see her very soon... Our deepest sympathy is extended to ED COATES, assistant to superintendent of Purchasing, in the passing of his mother, age 97, on Thursday, May 28...ED CUMMINGS, Purchasing Department, had a very thrilling vacation in which he says, "I encountered everything but luck." He drove to Hayward, Wisconsin, for a week of fishing and then motored to Paw Paw, Michigan, for a short "recuperating" period...Our sympathies are also extended to family and friends of CARL JOHNSON who passed away July 8. Mr. Johnson formerly worked in the Purchasing Department and retired on November 1, 1969...ROBERT McCARTHY, Purchasing, managed a baseball team this past spring, Cub Pack 25; and with the combination of ten fine boys and Bob, they won first place in their league. Bob's eight-year old son, BRIAN, was one of the outstanding players on this team. The boys ranged in age from 8 to 11. Congratulations to these boys for a job well done, as well as to Bob. Much to Bob's surprise, he also was presented with a first-place trophy, which he is proudly displaying in his office...FRANK MAGUIRE, Specifications Department, received a postcard from Pensioner WALT HELMER, who worked in Specifications Department some years ago. He retired in 1957 and is enjoying his retirement in Florida. Some fellows get all the breaks!..MARY LABUS, clerk-typist, Stores, transferred to the Insurance Department on June 2. Replacing her is ELEANORE KUZNIAR who worked

recent deaths

ANTHONY ADAMO, 70, Building,
Emp. 7-6-27, Died 5-22-70
MARGO D. BOGGS, 62, West Section,
Emp. 12-8-62, Died 6-22-70
FRANK T. BOTICA, 76, Way & Structures,
Emp. 5-3-34, Died 5-12-70
CHARLES W. BRENCHLEY, 77, West Shops,
Emp. 9-24-41, Died 6-13-70
LAWRENCE J. BRENT, 60, South Shops,
Emp. 8-15-41, Died 6-21-70
WILLIAM F. BYRNE, 63, 69th Street,
Emp. 8-25-42, Died 5-29-70
FRANK CAHILL, 57, North Park,
Emp. 5-11-41, Died 5-30-70
PETER CLARKE, 77, Kedzie,
Emp. 6-25-12, Died 6-8-70
ALVIN B. CLIFF, 58, Shops & Equipment,
Emp. 1-24-38, Died 7-4-70
LOUIS COPPERSMITH, 84, Elston,
Emp. 8-23-12, Died 6-19-70
PETER DALENO, 84, Way & Structures,
Emp. 6-18-21, Died 5-12-70
LEO J. DAVIS, 81, Electrical,
Emp. 6-10-07, Died 6-17-70
ERNEST DITTSWORTH, 64, Forest Glen,
Emp. 9-3-42, Died 7-11-70
CHARLES E. EBERT, 79, North Section,
Emp. 5-8-16, Died 6-30-70
JAMES ELLIS, 24, Archer,
Emp. 4-10-69, Died 7-16-70
EDWARD EVANS, 90, West Shops,
Emp. 10-6-08, Died 7-1-70
JOE T. GAINES, 66, South Section,
Emp. 2-27-51, Died 6-6-70
JOHN GALICH, 77, Way & Structures,
Emp. 4-4-21, Died 6-20-70
JOHN G. GEARY, 83, South Section,
Emp. 1-9-06, Died 5-7-70
ALFRED HAAS, 66, South Shops,
Emp. 3-2-45, Died 6-5-70
ANDREW HANKOSKY, 76, South Shops,
Emp. 7-8-26, Died 6-20-70
AUSTIN E. HARRITY, 80, Limits,
Emp. 8-15-43, Died 6-15-70
ELIZABETH M. HILL, 81, West Section,
Emp. 3-12-24, Died 6-11-70
GEORGE L. HOFFMAN, 63, North Park,
Emp. 10-25-36, Died 5-1-70
ALBERT HLACHA, 84, Way & Structures,
Emp. 8-2-23, Died 6-19-70
JOHN N. JENKINSON, 79, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 11-15-26, Died 5-17-70
WALTER C. JENSKY, 68, Forest Glen,
Emp. 2-10-43, Died 6-10-70
EMIL JEPSEN, 76, Beverly,
Emp. 1-7-20, Died 6-12-70
ROBERT J. JOHNSTON, 68, 61st Street,
Emp. 2-19-24, Died 5-23-70
JAMES H. JORDAN, 93, 69th Street,
Emp. 6-29-10, Died 5-7-70
THOMAS KELLY, 80, 69th Street,
Emp. 3-11-19, Died 6-1-70
FRED KIMMEL, 86, Way & Structures,
Emp. 11-16-41, Died 5-4-70
ALEXANDER H. KLEIN, 78, Devon,
Emp. 11-18-21, Died 6-16-70
MERRILL B. KNOX, 73, Executive,
Emp. 8-1-52, Died 6-7-70
STANLEY E. KUBIAK, 74, Stores,
Emp. 3-25-19, Died 5-20-70
VICTOR E. LEBEAU, 51, West Section,
Emp. 9-21-43, Died 6-16-70
EARL L. LINDROTH, 75, 77th Street,
Emp. 8-31-20, Died 6-12-70
ALBERT C. LUETTICH, 91, Central District,
Emp. 3-21-03, Died 5-17-70
EDWARD J. MARK, 73, Internal Auditing,
Emp. 10-1-13, Died 6-19-70
JAMES H. MARKHAM, 75, 77th Street,
Emp. 8-15-16, Died 6-11-70
PROSE A. MATHEWS, 58, 77th Street,
Emp. 4-25-47, Died 6-16-70
VAUGHN M. McALLISTER, 67, West Section,
Emp. 1-19-56, Died 5-13-70

for CTA several years ago. Welcome back, Eleanore. We are also happy to see two other young ladies in our midst for the summer, JOANNE FERLITO and MARYANN JOBARIS who are temporary clerk-typists. Maryann's mother, ANN JOBARIS, works in the Purchasing Department... MARY LARKIN, clerk-typist, Stores, left us in July to await the stork...MARY ANN WALLACE, steno, Stores, is also transferring to the Insurance Department. We are sorry to see you go, Mary. Replacing Mary is a young lady, formerly from the Employment Department, CECELIA TRUCO. Welcome to you, too, Cecelia...CHESTER SKORA, Stores, spent a very worthwhile vacation in the Smoky Mountains of Tennessee. . . Several young men in Stores, South Shops, went out of town for their vacations. RICHARD LA FLEUR went to visit his mother in De Cora, Iowa; GEORGE VIKERAS, assistant divisional storekeeper who replaced EARL WILCOX who retired last month, went to northern Minnesota to go fishing, and JERRY KILLMAN visited with some of his relatives in Southern Illinois...We welcome a new stock clerk I to Stores, South Shops. He is ROBERT MURRY. We have three part-time helpers returning to Stores, South Shops, this summer. They are KARL ROHE, WILLIAM PLATT, and MIKE O'CONNOR. Welcome to you all. . . STANLEY HALL, assistant divisional storekeeper for Storeroom 48, South, went to Kentucky while on vacation to see his son, DAVID, graduate from Kentucky Weslyan college. Mr. Hall enjoyed himself very much and can't wait until he returns...We have three new part-time helpers for Storeroom 48 this year. They are MARK PLATT, VINCENT ALLEN, and WILLIAM UNWIN. I think it is appropriate to say at this time that we are really quite proud to have two brothers working in the Stores Department, MARK and WILLIAM PLATT. Their father, WILLIAM PLATT, is superintendent of employe relations in the Mart. What CTA teamwork (and family teamwork as well)...HARRY HOSANG, laborer, Storeroom

among employes

JOHN B. McDONALD, 83, West Section,
Emp. 8-8-44, Died 6-26-70
ALEXANDER McFALL, 66, Archer,
Emp. 1-18-44, Died 6-10-70
HEZEKIAH H. MILLIGAN, 68, South Section,
Emp. 6-17-37, Died 6-8-70
JOHN M. MINOR, 61, Limits,
Emp. 10-31-45, Died 5-3-70
ORVILLE MYERS, 64, 52nd Street,
Emp. 10-10-45, Died 6-13-70
HUGH O'DONNELL, 77, 77th Street,
Emp. 5-11-26, Died 5-30-70
SINAN O'MAHONY, 71, West Section,
Emp. 8-6-17, Died 10-1-64
JOHN T. O'NEILL, 90, West Shops,
Emp. 12-19-11, Died 7-2-70
IVAN PAVLETIC, 69, Engineering,
Emp. 9-25-29, Died 5-8-70
JOHN C. POWERS, 61, Engineering,
Emp. 6-17-46, Died 6-28-70
JOHN J. QUILLINAN, 82, Kedzie,
Emp. 2-18-25, Died 6-3-70
LARS A. RASMUSSEN, 80, Electrical,
Emp. 7-7-08, Died 5-29-70
GERALDINE RAYMOND, 28, West Section,
Emp. 11-18-67, Died 7-6-70
HENRY C. RICHTER, 66, Keeler,
Emp. 8-18-34, Died 5-11-70
CASIMIR ROGALINSKI, 65, Lawndale,
Emp. 5-9-27, Died 5-21-70
FORREST M. ROSS, 69, Limits,
Emp. 11-28-25, Died 5-1-70
EDMUND I. RUSH, 73, North Section,
Emp. 12-22-20, Died 5-3-70
JOSEPH SARGENT, 69, South Shops,
Emp. 8-18-24, Died 5-17-70
CHRIST SCHNEIDER, 79, North Avenue,
Emp. 4-9-34, Died 6-20-70
PAUL H. SCHULZ, 82, Devon,
Emp. 10-3-23, Died 5-4-70
JOHN F. SEMELMAN, 71, Forest Glen,
Emp. 10-30-22, Died 5-25-70
ALBERT P. SHERECK, 69, Building,
Emp. 11-7-22, Died 6-10-70
THOMAS E. SIPPY, 74, Kedzie,
Emp. 3-1-27, Died 5-7-70
JAMES J. SMULLEN, 84, North Section,
Emp. 3-26-24, Died 5-7-70
EDWARD J. STAHL, 61, Kimball,
Emp. 12-11-50, Died 6-10-70
WILLIAM J. STENDER, 66, North Section,
Emp. 11-28-28, Died 5-20-70
JOSEPH F. SULLIVAN, 63, North Avenue,
Emp. 3-16-42, Died 5-30-70
CHARLES I. THOMAS, 56, Office Services,
Emp. 6-25-48, Died 7-15-70
FINN A. THULSTRUP, 86, Transportation,
Emp. 11-1-11, Died 5-8-70
JAMES J. TOMASKO, 50, Electrical,
Emp. 9-7-51, Died 7-14-70
HORACE TOWERS, 80, North Section,
Emp. 10-14-29, Died 5-20-70
JAMES R. TUMILTY, 66, North Avenue,
Emp. 2-1-30, Died 6-13-70
JOSEPH VALANCIUS, 87, Kedzie,
Emp. 11-28-11, Died 6-30-70
CARLO VENEZIO, 74, Way & Structures,
Emp. 3-23-43, Died 5-17-70
CHARLES E. VINTON, 74, Police,
Emp. 1-22-23, Died 5-8-70
JOHN E. VITTOE, 51, Archer,
Emp. 4-16-47, Died 6-9-70
THOMAS WEIR, 74, North Park,
Emp. 2-17-23, Died 5-23-70
MARTIN A. WILLIAMS, 79, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 5-1-17, Died 7-4-70
RAYMOND W. WITTROCK, 62, Electrical,
Emp. 1-6-42, Died 5-10-70
ADOLPH J. ZACH, 67, Lawndale,
Emp. 6-7-39, Died 6-2-70
GEORGE H. ZERBIAN, 65, 69th Street,
Emp. 10-22-28, Died 6-21-70
VICTOR K. ZUKOWSKY, 81, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 10-31-18, Died 5-9-70

48, fell off a freight car on May 19 while working. He is presently in St. Bernard's hospital. As of this writing, he is doing very well and should be out of the hospital shortly. . . ALAN LINDEN, the son of GEORGE LINDEN, Stores, Skokie Shops, was united in marriage with Miss LYNN KLOPP of the Insurance Department. She formerly worked in Stores as a clerk-typist when George worked in Stores as an order clerk. Wedding bells were heard at Bethlehem Lutheran church on Saturday, May 30. It was quite ironic that George's other son, GARY, caught the garter. We wish these newlyweds a wonderful and happy future together... HELEN SLATTERY, Stores, Skokie, was involved in an auto accident on Friday, June 19. She suffered a whiplash but has since returned to work. We're glad to hear it was nothing serious. She came to the Mart looking radiant, so we know she's fine. . . On June 29, PAUL JANKOWSKI, Stores, Skokie, started a two-week vacation. His first week, with a companion, was spent camping up the Mississippi river and in northwestern Illinois. His second week was spent at Bear lake where he caught eight northern pike. Paul states that Wisconsin offers triple the amount of good fishing as compared with Illinois. Paul further states that he has to travel quite a distance now to visit his dentist. He moved to California. Let's hope Paul doesn't have too many toothaches. It is with deep regret that we announce the next bit of news, but here goes! We were saddened to hear that Paul ran over a dead skunk while on his vacation.

- Cathy Raschick & John Gill

SKOKIE SHOPS -

Here it is vacation time again, and so far, fellows, you're not turning in the news. Come on, let's hear about those vacations...Our deepest sympathy to JOHN ODDO,

electrical apprentice, and his family on the loss of John's father who recently passed away...Get well soon to IVO DIPIERO, carpenter, who recently injured his foot at work and has been off...At this writing your reporter, EVERETT E. ENGLAND, is traveling the northwest section of the country going as far as Vancouver, B.C., then down to California and then working his way back. Sounds like a wonderful trip.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

We really are having a summery summer. Hope everyone has an enjoyable vacation...Agent MARCELLA BITTERLIN went on pension June 1, and the 58th Street Station won't be the same without her. She is such a nice person. All her customers and co-workers are sure going to miss her. Best wishes for a happy retirement life...While on vacation, Motorman JOSEPH WACKER and his wife drove to Mount Home, Arkansas, and through the Ozarks. While there they visited with Retired Motorman CHARLES McMORROW, who recently lost his beloved wife, and Retired Motorman AL GRABE and his wife and they all send their regards to everyone back here in Chicago...We were so happy to see some of our people who had been on the sick list for quite a long time back at work: Yard Foreman FRANK CALPIN, Janitor CLARENCE THOMAS, Conductors NATHANIEL SNEED and WALTER BURCH, and Switchman JOHN PARKER...Congratulations to Assistant Station Superintendent JAMES WALSH and his wife whose son was recently married...We were saddened to hear that two of our pensioned janitors passed away recently: JOSEPH GAINES and HEZEKIAH MILLIGAN...Agent ANN O'CONNOR was bursting with pride when her son, RICHARD McVICKER, received an award for valor at a banquet of the Little Flower Society in the Conrad Hilton hotel on May 16. Richard, who is a fireman, rescued four small children from a burning building on June 17. Everyone was driven back by the fire and smoke, but Richard plunged into the fiery basement and rescued the children, first three of them, then went back for the little two-year old. Isn't that a wonderful story...Returning for the summer and welcome back to our part-time returnees: Conductors ROBERT ROBERSON, CHARLES WILLIAMS, WILLIAM WHITENHILL, WILLIAM STALLWORTH, and PHILIP WHITE; Agents DEBORAH TINSEY, LYNDE GAULT, ARDIS MORRIS, the son of Instructor ARDIS MORRIS, SHELDIA HORN, THORNTON CHERRY, HENRY WEST, GREGORY CULBERSON, and CYNTHIA TUKES...Agent ANTONIO CHAVEZ just returned from a trip down to Mexico where he had a wonderful time. He says Mexico is a swell place to take a vacation...Hi to newly hired Janitors JAMES ROBERTS, ROLLMAN WALLACE, WALTER HARRIS, and GROVER HILL. Also to newly hired Conductors BARRETT WADE and EARLE JACKSON who was a trackman and is a brother of Yard Foreman THURMAN JACKSON...Clerk JOHN MORAN, Ashland Avenue, went on pension July 1 and the men at Ashland had a get-together for him. Many people came and greeted John to wish him luck and also called him on the phone. Mrs. MORAN came down to join in the festivities. Also attending were Retired Motormen HENRY HEISTERMAN and HARRY BARTON, Retired Yard Foreman CLIFFORD BECKER and his wife, Retired Janitor JOHN WILSON, Retired Conductor EDWARD HOPKINS, and many more. Our Retired Station Superintendent RICHARD MEISNER and North Section Station Superintendent KEN MANAUGH also came over to greet John. The food and cake were as good as ever. Ashland won't seem the same old place without him. He has been with the company since 1925. May John and his wife have many happy, healthy, and enjoyable years on pension...Agent JIM NORRIS vacationed in good old New York where he took in all the sights...Good luck to ALBERT DUCKETT who transferred from a janitor to the Shops and Equipment Department recently...Also going on pension July 1 was Collector PATRICK FLYNN. Patrick had been employed since 1943 and was an excellent employe. A wonderful retirement life is wished Patrick...Retired Conductor ERNEST HARDWIDGE called to tell us he is doing fine, but his wife had a sick spell and was in the hospital. She is home now and doing OK. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 26...Conductor JOHN KALTSAS and his wife are taking a month's vacation trip to Greece in August and will be touring all over the country...Janitor HAROLD TURNER, who had been on the sick list for several months, went on disability pension July 1. Here's hoping he will return to good health real soon...Agent HELEN SHANNON vacationed down in St. Petersburg, Florida, and had a good rest in the sunshine...District Superintendent THOMAS McGOVERN went on pension July 1, and all his old friends on the South Section wished him a good and healthy life on retirement...Clerk ROBERT E. LEE is a bachelor for a few weeks. His wife and three children went to Los Angeles for a vacation and Robert will be lonely and hungry until they come back...All of us at work were shocked and saddened when Agent GERALDINE RAYMOND suddenly passed away. Our condolences to her family...Our champion of passenger commendations, Conductor JOHN DANEK, received another commendation for helping a man who was sick on his train. ..Assistant Station Superintendent JOE TVRDIK went fishing at Bull Shoals, Arkansas, but it rained and he didn't get many fish. He came back home and then went up to Dorr County where the weather and fishing were much better...Retired Motorman JOHN BURKE was in to see the boys at 61st Street recently. He had sprained his ankle, but it is OK now.

- Vona Hartney

UPON HER recent promotion to Specialist 4th Class, **QUEENOLA NELSON**, the sister of **TOMMY GREENE**, laborer, West Shops, has her chevrons pinned on her by S/Sgt. Edgar Sanders and Charles Groty, supervisor, **USAEPG** Quality Assurance Facility, Fort Huachuca, Arizona. Queenola is the only woman to ever work in this department.

SOUTH SHOPS -

All of us here at South Shops wish to extend to CHARLIE GRECO, Technical Services Division, a speedy recovery.

Charlie, at the time of this writing, was at home recuperating from an appendix operation. Hurry back...A bundle of get well wishes also go to ELAINE STEWART who is convalescing at home after undergoing minor throat surgery. Elaine is our regular South Shops reporter, and to her we say, get well, quick...DOROTHY PICKETT, the wife of WILLIE PICKETT, booth clerk, was reported ill with pneumonia. Glad to hear she is doing much better...Sorry to convey that SAM CASELMAN, Campaign Area, and his wife are in the hospital after being hit by a car while standing on a street corner. We wish both of them a swift recovery. ..A heartfelt welcome back to STAN EISIN, general foreman, South Shops, who has been off for a couple of months due to a heart ailment...At this time we would like to roll out the welcome mat to MARY ROHE, South Shops office, a recent addition to our CTA family. Congratulations are also in order for on April 25, Mary walked down the aisle to become the wife of DENNIS ROHE, body shop...We would like to extend a warm welcome to BOB BOURNE, co-op trainee in the Technical Services Division, who will be with us for the summer. Last year Bob worked at Skokie Shops. Hope you enjoy your summer with us, Bob. . . Other new trainees assigned to South Shops who will be staying with us for a little while include RONALD BRAUN, ROY FERGUSON, and OTTO BOBYSUD Jr. JOHN HRUBY returned also and will be working in the M.C.O.P. Department. Welcome back, John...And now it's time to say farewell, at least for a little while, to BOB WEGNER, co-op trainee in the M.C.O.P. Department. Bob is returning home and to school in Peoria for the remainder of the summer and plans to return to CTA some time in the fall. We will all miss his winning smile and will be looking forward to seeing him again real soon. . . Congratulations to YOLENNE CLAUDE, Shops and Equipment, and RENE CLAUDE, Engineering Department, who will be expecting their third offspring in December. The Claudes have two little girls, and this time they are hoping for a boy...Sincere condolences are sent to AL HAAS, Body Shop, on the recent death of his father, ALFRED HAAS...The 17th Annual South Shops picnic was held on June 20 at Rubio woods. A jolly good time was enjoyed by all. There were prizes for all the kids and games, races, helium filled balloons, dancing, and all the hot dogs and beer you could ever want to eat or drink. In May, a raffle was held for the benefit of the picnic. The three lucky winners were: CHARLIE BUZA, Shops and Equipment, first-prize winner of a $100 savings bond; second-prize winner of a $50 savings bond was FRANK HENNIGAN, M.C.O.P. Department, and JOE SOWIZRAL, foreman, Blacksmith Shop, came in third, accepting the prize of a $25 savings bond...TONY VIHNANEK, Technical Services Division, and his wife, RUTH, spent three glorious, unforgettable weeks down in Florida. They visited the Queen Mary, went deep sea fishing, took in some beautiful historic sights, and looked in on some old friends and relatives in various parts of Florida. . . CHARLIE SHREEVE, Technical Services Division, tried out the fishing at Cherokee Village, Arkansas, where he threw out his rod and reel in Lake Thunderbird. He reports the fishing was fair. Charlie will be going back fishing again soon, this time at Lake Wisconsin. On this trip he plans to take along his three grandsons, MICHAEL, JOHN, and CHRIS...EDDIE EVANS, office supervisor, recently returned from a one-week vacation. Upon his return I asked him if he went anywhere. Eddie said he didn't, but instead he had a "honey-do" vacation. He must have seen the puzzled look on my face, so he explained this particular kind of vacation is when every 20 minutes or so his wife says, "honey do this", or "honey do that." This is one phrase that's certainly self explanatory...NATALIE KACZKOWSKI, South Shops office, and her family drove to Clearwater Beach, Florida, for a two-week vacation. On the way they visited Silver Springs in Ocala, Busch Gardens in Tampa, and the beautiful Sunken Gardens in St. Petersburg...And now a note of WARNING: EDNA WALKER, Technical Services Division, is learning how to drive. So watch out and stay out of her way...I might take time to mention that one day in June we had an unexpected, surprise visitor. A tiny mouse was on the loose. What do you do in a case like this? You certainly don't just sit there and pretend he isn't there. So you let the whole office in on it. Someone even mentioned he was kind of cute. Everyone was in an uproar, but then again, it isn't every day we are privileged to have such a distinguished visitor call on us at CTA. Now we're wondering what will get loose next since summer is here. Well, anyway, even if he was cute, or ugly, I for one, and a few others I'm sure, wouldn't mind a bit if the mouse went back to wherever it came from and stayed there, permanently...On June 27 the loud yell of "fore" was heard around Westgate Country club because that was where South Shops held their annual golf outing. At times you needed four legs to get out of the way of flying golf balls, but all 40 golfers survived without mishap; only their scores were hurting. A butt steak dinner was served with all the trimmings and prizes were awarded to all according to the blind bogey system. The eventual winner of the outing was LOUIS KRAMER, Garage Division, who with his handicap fired a blazing 64. The low net golfer was ED FOREMAN with an 81 and he was also awarded a prize along with picking in handicap order. The day was beautiful and everyone had fun. . . My sincere thanks to EDNA WALKER for giving me a hand in the writing of this issue. Hope to be back among my fellow workers soon.

RECEIVING THE congratulations of Operating Manager C. E. KEISER is WILLIAM GURGEL, who retired July 1 with 50 years of service. Mr. Gurgel had worked for both the Surface Lines and CTA at the South Shops Print Shop since June 17, 1920, and retired as foreman of that shop.

DENNIS F. STOLARZ, an ROTC cadet at Gage Park High school, was presented with the Legion of Valor Bronze Cross on December 11. Dennis ranks eighth in his graduating class and plans to attend the U of I Chicago Circle campus in September. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. FRANK STOLARZ, leader, Section "C" Area 312...Congratulations to RICHARD E. NAECKER, Blacksmith Shop, and his wife on their 24th wedding anniversary, February 2. . . Congratulations to the proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. LOID BROWN, Paint Shop, who became the parents of a baby boy on March 4...TED KULMA became a grandfather for the second time when a grandson was born on March 14. Ted is also from the Paint Shop...Best of luck to RALPH BURTS Jr., Paint Shop, on his new job. He has accepted a $24,000 a year position, plus expenses and a home, as city manager of a town near Fairbanks, Alaska...Congratula-

tions to ANN MURTAUGH, the daughter of TERRANCE MURTAUGH, Area 318, who was awarded a scholarship from Our Lady of Fatima Knights of Columbus 3582. The scholarship is financed by the Knights annual Turkey Bowl football game and the ladies auxiliary. Ann attends St. Albert the Great Elementary school...Congratulations to GEORGE OLSEN and ARTHUR BEAUCHAMP, tool makers, South Shops, who were graduated from a three-year course in numerical control with 324 hours attendance. They attended Washburn. The presentation was made by Lodge #50 on June 5.

- Elaine Stewart & Bob Brown

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Congratulations to GUY COLOMBO and AUGUST MISCHKE, Wilson, who retired on July 1 with combined service of 59 years. Guy has been with the company for 39 years, while August has 20 years of service. Best wishes to both for continued good health and many enjoyable golden years. ..Our condolences to Mrs. HANNAH STAHL and her family on the passing of her husband, EDWARD, Kimball...It's good to see JOHN McPARTLAN, Kimball, back at work after being off on the sick list...One of the few fishermen who has the fish to back up his stories is JOHN WIERCIOCH, Kimball, who just returned from a fishing trip to northern Minnesota...D. MERCURE, Kimball, spent his vacation enjoying the sights and heat of Chicago. Congratulations to DENNIS LEE DANIELS, the son of JOHN L. DANIELS, Congress, on his commission as a 2nd lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps. Dennis is presently stationed at Pensacola Naval Air Station in Florida undergoing flight training. On graduation, he will become a naval flight officer and be assigned to fleet duty. Best of luck, Dennis... Back to work after weeks of vacationing are: C. DUNLAP, T. FRIEND, R. DAVIS, B. THORNTON, R. SMITH, M. COYLE, and P. LOVELESS...Everyone is still waiting for a report on the annual game between "The Young Ones" and the "Old Timers" played at Millers Grove. Rumor has it that the "Old Timers", backed by the excellent pitching of JOHN CANNELLA, won by a score of 29 to 28. We are trying to get a confirmation of this score from the umpires, MIKE KEATING and ED SHIELDS...The results of the recent election for CTA American Legion Post 1216 are: JOHN CANNELLA, commander and service officer; PETER SABADOSA, senior vice commander and sergeant at arms; EDWARD SHIELDS, junior vice commander and chaplain; JOHN TRACY, adjutant; WALTER JANDT, finance officer, and Dr. GEORGE IRWIN, medical officer. Best of luck to all in their offices... Best wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to PAUL LOVELESS' mother who is very ill. Paul traveled down to Lexington, Kentucky, to be with her...Please clarify the rumor about a locker change for B. THORNTON and Q. BONDS. Does it have anything to do with a weight problem?

- Ray Brzeczek

69TH STREET -

Man have we got a real softball team. We beat Archer 8-7, Lawndale 15-10, West Towns 12-8, 52nd Street 18-12, and 77th Street 24-8. So to Coach L. HARRIS, and his two captains, R. JACKSON and L. SNEED, 69th says good going. To M. E. DAVIS, L. E. BAUGHN, C. WILEY, J. DIXON, T. F. HARDAWAY, C. E. DOCKERY, D. EICHELBERGER, H. W. HAWKINS, P. K. JONES, F. PORTER, W. ROBINSON, L. S. WILLIAMS, E. E. HOLLIS, P. S. THOMAS, S. MORGAN, and L. W. EDWARDS--this station thinks you are the best...Bowling is now in swing, so let me know how you fellows and teams are doing in this sport. ..The instruction force wishes to say thanks to all the line instructors and other drivers who helped to train the summer help. This is the teamwork the men at 69th put out when asked...Instructor O'DONNELL was hospitalized for two weeks. He claimed he was working too hard, but JOHNSON just says, Ha Ha Ha...Everyone wants to know why they installed new large doors downstairs as soon as Instructor BIRMINGHAM transferred to 69th...Have you seen the Credit Union office since they finished it? Superintendent GIBES deserves a big hand for his help in measuring the length of the drapes for the windows. It had to be air conditioned as BILL DONAHUE spends a lot of time there...Former operators from 69th sure look contented when they pass you in their CTA trucks. Two good examples are FRANK ZBROSKEWICZ and J. C. KOHLER who say hello to all...RAY FELTZ, who lost 30 pounds, looks as if he is busy putting it back on...JOE KOVATZ claims he has replaced LENNY (Tubby) DAKE as the number one snow-man. He was to turn his key in to Mr. Gibes, and has to have all his charters cleared by JOHN MORNAR. Joe says that Dake will have to cut down on Dunkin' Donuts, Amy Joy, and Miller High Life. Count the calories, Lenny, and get your key back and become number one again...On the calorie list, also, was WILLIE J. KANADY. He put on 50 pounds while working 55th street for nine years. He is now a box puller and lost five pounds the first week. That's not 50, but he is working at it...ALBERT JOZA had a big welcome for his son, Sgt. ARNOLD K. JOZA, who spent 14 months in Viet Nam and is now home for good. It took only 19 hours for him to fly from Viet Nam to O'Hare Field. He took a two-week vacation before returning to his old job. Good luck to you, Arnold, and thanks for a job well done...Clerk MIKE KANE was married to Miss JOAN MURPHY on August 1. Joan is a nurse at Little Company of Mary hospital. Many happy days and long nights to you both...Operators G. ALLAN, W. ROACH, and S. VALLONI are going on pension soon. Good health and happiness to all of you for years to come. M. LOCAS-

THIS FEARSOME twosome is **EILEEN** and **RUDY NEURAUTER** posing with a ferocious "stuffed" lion at the Lion Country Safari in Royal Palm Beach, Florida, while on vacation. Eileen works in the Public Information Department and Rudy is a bus operator at Forest Glen.

TO, who was off sick for so long, took his pension...BILL MURPHY has returned as a relief clerk. . . My favorite clerk, LARRY HELINSKI, claims that Chief Clerk ART LIPPHARDT went to Minnesota on his vacation to catch night crawlers. Fill us up with fish dinners and make us believers, Art. . . Boy was BEHRENS a big hit when he showed up in shorts to pick his run...Did you know that E. F. STEFFAN fixes lawn mowers? . . J. J. DANIELS sure lives dangerously. After G. R. FERGUSON woke him up, and Mrs. DANIELS drove him to work, he took off. He is now fishing in the deep south...The ENSWORTHS celebrated 41 years of wedded bliss on June 29. Don't forget to invite us on the 50th. Until then, health and happiness to you both. ..JIM CHAMBERS says that M. O'CALLAGHAN is out of the hospital and doing fine. Also, C. THOMA is off sick as of now. Jim said that he saw HARRY MINOGUE and TOM O'SHEA, pensioners from 69th. Harry, who makes his home in Texas, looks great in cowboy boots and a ten gallon hat. The O'Sheas make their home in Florida. Tom and his beautiful wife took a ride on Marquette road with Chambers to see how the exact fare worked. He said it reminded him of the ride he took back in 1916 when he rode in the Irish Charabanc from County Clare to Dublin...May we extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Mrs. CANNON who passed on, and to W. DONAHUE on the death of his mother, Mrs. MARIE PLETKA. W. BYRNE also passed away...W. J. MOBLEY had his car smashed by falling bricks in July and it was a total loss. He was sitting in it and escaped with only a few scratches. . . JIM AHERN is on a well-earned vacation, so I have no news from the garage. We operators do ask you to please wipe the grease off the seats and steering wheels, as we look a mess when you don't. . . Don't forget the news depends on you. Drop a line in my little black box and get your name in print. Let us know what is happening. . . Mrs. YOUNG, hello...God bless you all.

- Arthur P. Buesing

77TH STREET -

The big news at 77th Street Station this month is of course vacations. I am sure the road maps are getting a big workout as everyone is preparing to get away. Well, don't forget to let your old scribe know where you went and what you did on your vacations so we can put it in print... Wedding bells rang out loud and clear during the months of May and June. One of the most elegant weddings to take place on the Southside in many years united the charming and beautiful daughter of Operator and Mrs. CLIFTON SERVANT, SUSAN ELISE, in holy wedlock to Mr. VAN E. MANSKER. The wedding took place on May 23 at the Resurrection Lutheran church. . . Congratulations to Operator MARVIN YOUNG and his bride, ALICE EVANS, on their recent marriage which took place on June 20 at St. Mark church...Operator ULYSSES JONES and his wife have announced the engagement of their daughter, DEBORAH ESTELLE, to Mr. WALKER L. COOK Jr., the son of Reverend and Mrs. Walker L. Cook Sr. of Robbins, Illinois...Operator ED MROZEK and five other cronies went to Pelican Lake in Minnesota on a fishing trip. He reported that the weather was too bad. . . Our old buddy, Operator HENRY LAWS, was in Billings hospital for a couple of days for a checkup...Congratulations to all the fellows at the station. We had free coffee on our station superintendent for breaking our commendations par for the month of May...Operator GEORGE ROBINSON's daughter, THRECIA ELAINE, was graduated from Gage Park High school where she was an honor student and the recipient of an Illinois teachers education scholarship...Good to see Operator L. H. COLLINS back to work after his auto accident...We saw Former Operator CHARLES WATSON the other day looking fit as a fiddle. He sends his best wishes to all of you...The champs of the 77th Street Bowling League for 1970 are the Road Runners. The team members are: CALVIN POLLARD, captain, JAMES STEWART, GEORGE REDD, FRANK BAILEY, BOBBY BARNES, and RAY WILLIAMS...Operator HARRY CARTER will soon be leaving for a tour of the Orient. He will visit Hong Kong, Tokyo, Taiwan, and Osaka. Bon voyage, Harry...The following men received commendations during the months of May and June: Operators P. WOOD, L. WASHINGTON, C. SERVANT, G. GRIFFIN, W. RYE, J. DONAHUE (2), J. COOK, E. BARRETT, R. NEWSON, C. FORD, F. BAILEY, I. MAGEE, W. SMITH, C. FIELDS (2), L. DURR, W. POWELL, W. KENERSON, and P. HIGHTOWER (4). Congratulations to all of you... Operator SAM GRAHAM has just returned to work from a three-week vacation...Mr. and Mrs. JAMES RILEY spent two weeks in Acapulco where they celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary...Operators L. DURR and DICK LANE were last seen heading for Wisconsin on a fishing trip... GERALD DALTON who retired recently was honored with two dinners. His son, GERALD Jr., and his family honored him and his wife with a dinner at the Millionaires Club, and Station Superintendent KNERR, Division 241 Secretary-Treasurer JAMES PATE, TED BURNETT, and Operations Manager C. E. KEISER also honored Gerald with a dinner. ..Your scribe's daughter, DENISE ELAINE GRESHAM, is busy preparing to leave for college. She will attend Culver Stockton college in Canton, Missouri, and is planning to leave August 23...Our deepest sympathy to the families of P. MATHEWS, O. MYERS, and Pensioner E. LINDRATH whose deaths occurred during the month of June.

- Elessie Gresham

AT THE recent convention of the Polish Legion of American Veterans held in the Sherman House, ARTHUR J. HUBACZ, Training and Accident Prevention Department, center, is shown receiving the gavel as the newly elected State Commander of this organization from the retiring commander, HENRY GURGA. On the left, witnessing the ceremonies, is MATHEW J. MISIUR, national commander of the P.L.A.V. Art is also the National Zone III commander, and will attend the national convention of the P.L.A.V., August 28-31 in Detroit, Michigan, with his wife, BERNICE.

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THE DIFFERENCE between what is and what should be — that's the "people gap" referred to in the Crusade of Mercy's 1970 campaign slogan, "Help Close the People Gap."

Crusade of Mercy human care services are doing all they can to help close the people gap ...giving hope and assistance every day to people who face problems so tragic and complex they cannot handle them alone. The services themselves face a serious dollar gap--the difference between the needs of the people and the funds available to meet those needs.

help close the people gap

Three of the human care gaps are represented pictorially on our front cover. They are gaps between people in our metropolitan community. They are critical today and will be worse tomorrow unless steps are taken to close them now.

1 THE FAMILY GAP Many families face tragic and complex problems too big to solve alone. Family counseling helps parents and children to understand each other and to communicate. Unfortunately, families needing help far outnumber the services. Your gift helps make more family services available.

2 THE ADOPTION GAP What happens to a handicapped baby without a home of his own? If he's lucky, a Crusade of Mercy service finds adoptive parents who will love and care for him. But there are many more babies needing adoption than there are services.

3 THE DAY CARE GAP Young children of mothers who must work are often left alone or in the care of an older child. They need the services of a day care center. Your fair share pledge to the Crusade of Mercy provides a safe, supervised place to play and learn.

You, with your contributions to the Crusade, can make this difference between what is and what should be. You can help close the people gap. Each one of us can help for his own reasons ...together we can make the difference.

Be a fair share giver by pledging one day's pay or one per cent to your Crusade of Mercy.

1,042 Named 'Employes of the Year' for 1969-70

THE 1,042 CTAers named as "Employes of the Year" for 1969–70 were chosen because of their outstanding work and accident records over a 12-month period.

A total of 6,338 operating employes (bus operators and rapid transit conductors, motormen, ticket agents and janitors) who daily meet and serve the public were eligible to receive the honor, because they had worked a minimum of 200 days between June 1, 1969, and May 31, 1970. The records of these employes were reviewed by station superintendents and the final selection of the 1,042 employes was made on the basis of the accident records of the eligible employes.

Listed here for each of the surface and rapid transit operating locations are the number of "Employes of the Year" selected for the year 1969–70 and the names of the 42 employes who have maintained the status for seven consecutive years.

Location	1969–70 "Employes of the Year"	"Employes of the Year" For 7 Consecutive Years
Surface System		
ARCHER STATION	114	A. Bober, R. Jankowski, J. Winters
BEVERLY STATION	82	W. Barowsky, L. Borrman, J. Grajek, J. King, H. Norton
FOREST GLEN STATION	91	J. Fiesterman, F. Jacobson, M. Kompanowski
KEDZIE STATION	51	
KEELER STATION	29	W. Dabrowski, T. Pyzyna
LAWNDALE STATION	51	F. Dvorak, J. Kalka, W. Klecka, O. Tork
LIMITS STATION	34	P. Cronin, H. Miller, G. Petrus
NORTH AVENUE STATION	94	W. Baran, J. Cabay, R. Kusek
NORTH PARK STATION	82	P. Cook, H. Osowski, C. Schoewer
52ND STREET STATION	16	W. Burns
69TH STREET STATION	62	
77TH STREET STATION	66	H. Hanson, H. Walsh
Rapid Transit System		
WEST SECTION	134	D. Parker
NORTH SECTION	71	D. L. Barthen, D. V. Barthen, H. Staats
SOUTH SECTION	65	C. Frank, R. Butler, J. Danek, A. Jagla, W. Jogerst, J. Moss, S. Pollock, G. Ross, J. Wacker

New Appointments Announced In Engineering, Transportation

IN BULLETINS issued recently, five new appointments and eight reassignments affecting supervisory personnel in two CTA departments were announced.

In appointments made by Superintendent of Engineering E. E. Olmstead, P. E. Swanson was named supervising civil engineer and P. O. McCarthy became structural engineer effective August 31. The appointments were approved by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.

Named to new positions at rapid transit operating stations were T. D. Boyle as Forest Park station superintendent, R. L. Desvignes as Dan Ryan assistant station superintendent, and J. V. Tagler as South Section relief station superintendent. Reassigned to new locations were Station Superintendents E. J. Heatter, Howard; M. J. Veltri, Jefferson Park; J. P. Flynn, Douglas and Congress, and M. J. O'Connor, Ashland, and Assistant Station Superintendents J. J. Tvrdik, 61st Street; W. J. Rooney, Kimball; D. P. Lemm, North Section, and J. H. Walsh, 61st Street & Ashland. The appointments which were made by Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn and approved by Mr. Keiser became effective September 1.

Limits Operator Wins Public Service Award

HONORED AS one of ten outstanding Chicago area public service employes of 1969 was Bus Operator Cleven Wardlow, Limits Station. The award was presented to Operator Wardlow by Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent (see picture at right) at the Second Annual Superior Public Service Awards Luncheon.

Since joining CTA in 1952, Operator Wardlow has received hundreds of commendations. His friendliness and congeniality have been the subject of many newspaper articles and he has been interviewed on radio and television. The story of his "Happy Bus" has been written into the Congressional record. Away from the job, Operator Wardlow is kept busy with church work.

Nominees for public service awards were screened by a planning committee and candidates in each of five categories were selected for further consideration by a panel of prominent citizens. The categories include the professional, clerical, public safety, general service, and supervisory groups.

Three other nominees from CTA ranks were among the finalists. Citations in recognition of their "ability, dedication, and sustained excellence" were presented by General Manager Thomas B. O'Connor to the following CTA'ers:

James R. Blaa, superintendent of rapid transit operations, finalist in the supervisory category. He directed the revisions to train operation around the Loop which became effective with the opening of the Dan Ryan extension and is active in the Chicago Boys' Club and other civic and church organizations.

Thomas M. Stiglic, superintendent of instruction, finalist in the public safety category. He played an important part in training employes for the changes involved with the opening of the Dan Ryan and Kennedy extensions. Mr. Stiglic is also active in community and church-sponsored activities and has been active in the "Big Brother" program.

Ralph W. Tracy, superintendent of rapid transit and surface operations, finalist in the professional category. During his 22 years of CTA employment, he has been instrumental in developing the train phone system, the cab control system, and "Monitor-CTA." Mr. Tracy is active in church work and is a member of the Association of American Railroads.

In the top picture, General Manager O'Connor is congratulating the award winner and three finalists. They are, from left, Thomas Stiglic, Mr. O'Connor, Cleven Wardlow, James Blaa, and Ralph Tracy.

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Nobody gives a damn

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Something has gone wrong with our country. We live with a constant, sickening frustration which goes beyond racial problems, pot and pollution, yippies and hippies.

More and more, nobody gives a damn.

The sickness is national in scope. Like cancer, it feeds on itself. Each of us feels more and more abandoned by his fellowmen. We are at the mercy of machines. We become just numbers in the lottery of life. We begin to live only for ourselves.

We look to our own ease and profit. We don't care about anyone else's river, lake, or forest—or even the air they breathe. We'll sell anybody anything so long as it makes money. We seem to feel the world owes us—and we owe it nothing. Give us the eternal coffee break.

The results of such attitudes are all around us now. Services are deteriorating. It's hard to find repairmen who will do a good job the first time—or even the second or third. Expensive new products lose knobs and buttons like cheap toys. Waiters act as if they're doing you a favor to serve you. Sales people gossip while you wait. Doctors' offices schedule appointments in thoughtless clusters—as if your time is worth nothing. Cleaners not only fail to get the spots out but end up losing the whole suit.

With far fewer trains running than a decade ago, there are nearly twice as many derailments. Airlines misdirect thousands of bags. Department stores can't straighten out your billings. People who handle complaints don't bother to call you back. And, yes, magazines foul up on subscriptions, and you get letters demanding payment for copies you never received.

Granted, good services and products can still be found—but it's something to talk about when it happens. We are overjoyed when a mechanic fixes our car the first time around, or when a clerk thanks us after taking our money.

Now foul-ups happen even in smaller communities. No longer do the big cities have an exclusive on don't-give-a-damnism. Taken alone, each failure is a mere annoyance. But when you add them all up, they are destructive to the individual and to our nation.

No man can live without caring. He loses his drive to be responsible, his competence declines, he ends up without pride or purpose. Mutual concern and cooperation are the adhesives of society. Without them, no society can solve its problems, build a healthy future, gain the respect of its young—indeed, survive.

Our sorry state of affairs is usually blamed on the pressures of overpopulation, on mass production, planned obsolescence, computerization. All these excuses have one thing in common. They pass the buck to intangibles. People seldom seem to be personally at fault.

The apologies are feeble. True, the population explosion results in a crush of consumers. But wouldn't you expect that more consumers would mean more producers? As for mass production, who wrote the rule that it must be sloppy? And planned obsolescence is not, as so many people seem to think, inherent in the products they buy. Instead, it results more often from the emergence of new and different designs. It's a fact that major consumer items are more expertly engineered than ever before, but the best design can't overcome careless workmanship.

Computers? They can't do anything by themselves. Computers are fast—but dumb. Man can't come close to computers in speed, but he has intelligence. Whatever computers do, right or wrong, starts with the human input. That's what everything comes down to: people. And people isn't the other guy. It's all of us. It's you.

This is why there's still hope. When people really want to do something, it gets done. Take pollution. For years we've accepted the damage we were doing to our environment as the price we had to pay for progress. But because enough of us became concerned, things suddenly are beginning to happen. It remains to be seen if we have the guts to follow through on this enormous chore.

Admittedly it's easier to rally to a cause when danger threatens from outside. The really tough problem: when we ourselves are the problem.

So what can we do? To start with, we must strive to get back our sense of personal worth—that wonderful feeling that our job counts for something and that our life counts for something. It's a matter of self-respect.

Look at your work not only as a means to produce a paycheck but as a contribution. Even if your job bores you, you'll enjoy it more if you set yourself the challenge of doing it better every time.

Stop blaming the other guy. This doesn't mean we should be willing to accept low standards. Just don't expect more from others than you expect from yourself.

Let's encourage responsibility where we find it, praise the efforts and good work of others, show them that they are appreciated. On the other hand, when you are hit by a foul-up, really raise hell. Don't hesitate to carry your beef all the way to the top. If this fails, take your business away. It's better to do without than to live with second-rate products or services. It's a fact that people who run businesses today are more concerned about consumer complaints than ever before. You may find that hard to believe, but it's true.

Above all, let's cut out the rotten excuse that we are "only human," that we're entitled to some daily quota of error or indifference. Only human? What an incredible denial of the human potential. Only human? This is the ultimate insult.

Remember that man's greatness does not lie in perfection but in striving for it. Once we don't give a damn, we have lost everything.

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EMPLOYES IN THE NEWS

G. L. DeMent Elected Transit Association President

TRANSIT BOARD Chairman George L. DeMent was elected president of the American Transit Association on September 21 at their 89th annual meeting taking place in Boston, Massachusetts.

The American Transit Association, founded in 1882, is the national organization representing the urban transit industry. Its members include nearly 250 local motor bus and rapid transit systems in the United States and Canada.

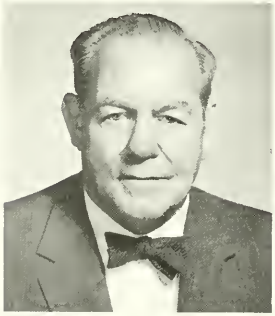
Mr. DeMent has been chairman of Chicago Transit Board since July, 1963, having been appointed to the Board by Mayor Richard J. Daley. Previously, he had been commissioner of public works of the City of Chicago from 1954 to 1963.

General Attorney G. J. Schaller Nominated as Circuit Court Judge

CTA GENERAL ATTORNEY George J. Schaller was recently nominated as a Democratic candidate for judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County. Mr. Schaller was graduated from DePaul Law school and is licensed to practice law by the Supreme Court of Illinois, United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Court of Appeals of the United States, and the United States Supreme Court. He is a member of the Chicago, Illinois, and American Bar Associations and past president of the South Side Bar Association. For the past two years, he has been a member of the Board of Managers of the Chicago Bar Association and a commissioner of the Supreme Court of Illinois. He is a veteran of World War II.

Mr. Schaller was formerly general council of the Cartage Exchange of Chicago. He is a former master-in-chancery of the Circuit Court of Cook County, special assistant attorney general, and arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association. He has served as general attorney for CTA since May, 1966, and is presently the senior partner in the law firm of Schaller, Reilly and Daley.

M. J. McDermott Named Claim Department Superintendent



THE APPOINTMENT of Michael J. McDermott as superintendent of investigations and claims effective September 1, was announced recently by Manager of Finance P. J. Meinardi and General Manager T. B. O'Connor.

Mr. McDermott has served in the Law and Claim Departments of the former Chicago Surface Lines and CTA for more than 34 years. He joined the CSL as a clerk in the Law Department on March 3, 1936, and became office manager of that department in September, 1946.

Following the acquisition of transit companies by CTA, Mr. McDermott entered the Claim Department where he became assistant chief adjuster in 1953, chief adjuster in 1964, and assistant superintendent - adjusting in 1969. He has served as acting superintendent of investigations and claims since May 4, 1970.

Dr. G. H. Irwin Retires As Medical Consultant

BRINGING A close to his transit industry association of almost 48 years, Dr. George H. Irwin retired September 1 as CTA's medical consultant.

Dr. Irwin entered the service of the former Chicago Rapid Transit Company as a physician in October, 1922. He became CTA's medical director in October, 1953, the position which he held until September, 1962, when he retired and began serving in an advisory capacity as medical consultant to the department.

Dr. Irwin has also retired from his private practice with offices on the North Side. He had been on the staff of St. Francis hospital in Evanston since 1926, and served as president of the medical staff of that hospital during 1955-56. Dr. Irwin's affiliations include the American Association of Railway Surgeons, the Chicago Medical Society, American Medical Association, and the American College of Surgeons.

Dr. Irwin has written the Medically Speaking column monthly for CTA Transit News since November, 1955. His articles have provided helpful information to those who value their health and have offered advice and counsel on what to do to avoid serious illnesses that may start with simple ailments. Because of his awareness of the vital service which he has provided by contributing articles to Transit News, Dr. Irwin has agreed to continue writing his Medically Speaking column for this magazine.

Taken at an open house marking his retirement, the picture above shows CTA Medical Director S. D. Mosny presenting Dr. Irwin with a unique floral display set in a bedpan.

S. D. Forsythe, Wife, Killed in Car Crash

WHILE RETURNING to their Cleveland home, tragedy brought an end to the houseboat vacation of Stanley D. Forsythe and his wife, Vernette, when they were killed in an automobile accident near Rochester, New York, on August 15.

Mr. Forsythe had been in the employ of CTA and the former Surface Lines for 37 years. Upon graduation from the University of Illinois, he began his transit career in February, 1924, as a student engineer. After serving as a trainman and supervisor for CSL he became assistant electrical engineer in 1929, electrical engineer in 1939, and superintendent of shops in 1944. In 1948, Mr. Forsythe was appointed chief engineer for CTA and in 1953 he became general superintendent of engineering, the capacity in which he remained until his retirement in 1961.

Since leaving CTA, Mr. Forsythe has held responsible positions with the National Capital Transportation Agency in Washington, D.C., and the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District. Last November he became president of the transit consultant firm of W. C. Gilman & Co.

Mr. Forsythe and his wife are survived by a son, Tom D., a daughter, Merlita Richter, and six grandchildren.

CTA-AMERICAN LEGION Post No. 1216 has extended an invitation to all employes to attend the installation of officers for the year 1970-71 which will be held at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, October 11, at the Fort Dearborn hotel, 417 S. LaSalle Street. New officers are Commander and Service Officer John Cannella, Congress Terminal Shop; Senior Vice Commander and Sergeant-at-Arms Peter Sabadasa, 54th Avenue Yard; Junior Vice Commander and Chaplain Edward J. Shields, Dan Ryan Terminal Shop; Finance Officer Walter H. Jandt, retired; Adjutant John Tracy, Forest Park Terminal Shop, and Medical Officer Dr. George H. Irwin, retired. The retiring commander of the post is Frank J. Brison, Electrical Department-rapid transit.

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin,
CTA Medical Consultant

EXERCISE (Physical Activity) — Its Relation to Heart Attacks and Long Life

MANY FACTORS determine longevity. First, and probably most important, is heredity. The general make-up of the body, physiology, and metabolism of our ancestors are the basic factors which determine our length of life. Other elements such as diet, occupation, exercise or physical activity, rest, emotional stress, early-life diseases, habits, drinking, and smoking also influence our span of life. We cannot change the hereditary factors. However the other elements mentioned above can be controlled, if we have the will to do so, and thereby affect the length of life. This article will briefly outline or discuss physical activity or exercise and its relationship to longevity.

Why exercise? What good is it? Most doctors agree upon the value of exercise. We need it to live. Regular, proper and repeated exercise throughout life is very important to a healthy heart, efficient lungs, and sound muscles. Physical activity helps maintain normal body function and thereby increases our resistance to illness and disease. Actually, exercise increases the amount of oxygen in our blood. Once the oxygen gets into circulation our body tissues and metabolism are more apt to work normally. Let me repeat that proper intake and balance of oxygen in the blood is very important in the prevention and treatment of heart and lung diseases. This is why, when visiting patients in the hospital, you see so many who are getting additional oxygen in some form. However, there are a few rare disorders, mainly certain anemias in which the blood oxygen is normal but there is an inability of the oxygen to be taken from the blood into the tissues.

An underexercised heart may beat faster than normal even while you are resting. This is because the heart is trying to get an adequate amount of oxygen to the body tissues. The heart, in a sense, is spinning its wheels.

Proper exercise can change all of this. After awhile, each heart stroke pumps a greater volume of blood and in this way the tissues get the necessary amount of oxygen. Shortness of breath disappears.

It has been noted that children who start creeping early and are active physically have a more normal mental development. Throughout life it has been shown that persons who lead a moderately active life, but not an overactive life, have a lesser incidence of coronary heart disease. Those in this group, who unfortunately do have a heart attack, have a better chance of survival than those in the sedentary group. A study in London tends to substantiate this theory. The investigators reported that bus conductors and mail carriers in that city had approximately one-half the incidence of coronary thrombosis experienced by bus drivers and mail clerks. The conclusion of this study is obvious and that is, proper physical activity is beneficial.

Another interesting study showed that 25 coronary heart attacks occurred in 317 former Harvard football players who resorted to a life pattern of easy living which included reduced activity, weight gain, and cigarette smoking during a period ranging from 25 to 50 years after graduation from college. However, no heart attacks were recorded in the 38 ex-athletes who maintained regular lifelong physical activities.

The right type of exercise. This will depend a great deal upon the individual circumstances. Conditions to consider are age, body build, sex, climate, previous illnesses, and life patterns. Remember if you have lived a sedentary life and then suddenly engage in a very active exercise program you may have trouble. The factors of climate or altitude of the location in which you live are important. In mountainous country the supply of oxygen is less and you should follow the proper exercises and do them gradually.

In deciding on your physical activity program, consider the contents of the preceding paragraph. It has to be individualized and what is right for you may not be right for another person and vice versa. Exercises to be considered are walking, jogging, golfing, bicycle riding, sitting-up exercises, swimming, garden work, etc. All or any of these activities properly carried out will benefit our health. Don't expect miracles from exercise overnight. The longer you have been inactive the longer it will take to get results. But the improvements or rewards, increased resistance, better breathing, fewer tensions, less fat, and better muscles and appearance will be worth the effort.

Some contrarious may say we all have to die of something and what we do doesn't make any difference. On the other hand, there is a medical belief or saying that we sometimes "Have to fight to live." If this is true, I believe that proper physical activity, properly carried out, in addition to other rules of good hygiene, is a good way to fight.

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (General) -

R. L. HILL, a retired CTA employe and former revenue accountant, paid us a visit on July 23. He looked very well. ..Pensioner ANN LYONS surprised us when she came in on July 21. Some of you will remember her as ANN WEINSTOCK. She was married to FRED LYONS, a former Chicagoan, in December of 1969. Ann's sister-in-law had a mishap and was confined to a hospital, and the Lyons flew in from Palm Springs, California, to be of assistance. On July 30 Ann and her husband entertained friends at the home of her cousin, Mrs. ROSE FABIAN, and their hospitality was superb. She came in to say goodbye on August 11. Fred and Ann flew home that night...LYDIA HAEMKER came in to visit her many friends on July 31, and she looked very well...TONY SCARDINA spent his vacation relaxing in the Chicago area...KEN McNEELY and his family traveled 250 miles to Dorr County, Wisconsin, where they enjoyed themselves. The weather was ideal...JOE LAZZARA and his family went camping for the first time on their vacation. The experience was very scenic and exciting. Their camping trip took place in Wisconsin where they visited two state parks, Kettle Morraine and Devils Lake. They also visited the Cave of Mounds, the Baraboo Circus, Wisconsin Dells, and the Old Wade House...A welcome back is extended to GEORGE TRIUNFOL after his illness. Good to see you looking so well...STELLA CIEZADLO traveled to Miami Beach and Surfside, Florida, with a cousin, KATHERINE. They had a very good time... ANN SLOAN vacationed in County Mayo, Ireland. There she met, for the first time, her father's sister, his sister-in-law, and numerous cousins. They acquainted Ann with typical Irish living, which she admits she enjoyed very much. She says, "Their warm hospitality was like an Irish turf fire."..LILLIAN LAMONT returned from her tour of Ireland and said she had a wonderful time...ALICE ARKIN and her husband, BERT, are spending three weeks in Miami, Florida, and as Alice says, they always have a good time.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

(Payroll) -

The home of DORIS YOST's daughter, PEGGY PARISEAU, was gladdened again by the arrival of a new son, DOUGLAS FREDERICK. He is Doris' second grandchild and she beamed just as proudly as she did with the arrival of the first one. Since her daughter now resides in Providence, R.I., it will give grandmom and granddad the excuse to travel more often... VI MEYER had a marvelous time this summer relaxing in the sun, flitting hither and yon, taking several short trips, and returning with a beautiful sun tan...Your reporter, CLARA LAWRENCE, spent a most delightful week in scenic Michigan. The weatherman must have been in a good mood for the weather was ideal.

- Clara Lawrence

(Tabulating) -

MARGE DORGAN spent her vacation at that luxurious Wisconsin resort, The Abbey. She enjoyed all that "resort living" can offer as well as several short trips around Southern Wisconsin including William's Bay...BOB RISE spent a good part of his vacation in and around Chicago. However, he did make one jaunt to Bridgeman, Michigan, to visit with his father...PAT POLIC went camping in Trevor, Wisconsin, on her vacation, which, she as a "city girl", really enjoyed as something different. She reports that the dark of night is really dark in camp. She spent some time fishing for something called "elusive fish."

- Evelyn Lee

CONGRESS (Agents) -

A toast to the most liked and kindest man on the North Section, Superintendent K. L. MANAUGH. May each of his retirement days be happier than the day before...It was a surprise to hear that Clerk LAWRENCE TOBIN retired. It has been a long time since we were on the extra board, but where did all the years go? Larry, everyone wishes you the very best... Our deepest sympathy to International Secretary-Treasurer JAMES J. HILL and his family on the loss of his brother...MARY NOLAN and her sister, ELIZABETH, went to the East Side, West Side, and all around New York on their vacation. On their way home they stopped off at Cape Cod...Agent MARY DOYLE and her cousin motored to Las Vegas, and then to California, while her brother, PATRICK DOYLE, flew to Wexford, Ireland. It's a long way to go courting. The pretty colleens had him speechless, or is he a confirmed bachelor and was glad to get away?..Our sympathy to Agent ELLEN CARMODY and her family. Her brother, who resided in New York, passed away and she and her family accompanied the deceased to their homeland, County Kerry, Ireland, for burial...Agent HELEN SHANNON had an enjoyable time in Eureka Springs, but wherever you may roam, she says, there's no place like home...Agents ED and BETTY SEGERSON were do-gooders and helped their son and daughter-in-law move into their new home while on their vacation...Agent AGNES NOONE and her husband, PATRICK, beamed with pride and joy when their five-week old son was baptized SEAMUS PATRICK NOONE on Sunday, August 9, at St. Lucy's church. Agent Betty Segerson is the baby's godmother... PETER SAGRIS and his wife, KATHERINE, are the proud parents of a baby boy named JAMES. It's wonderful how Pete and his wife divide their affections between their 1½ year old son, GEORGE, and the new baby...JAMES CLARK and his wife took short trips during his vacation. His son was recently graduated from a college in Illinois and has plans to study law...Clerk JOHN HANNING and his wife, ORA, are crooning lullabyes to a new grandchild. Their son, KEITH, a former student agent, and his wife, MARIANNE, are the proud parents of a baby boy...Clerk TOM FREEMAN and his wife, THEESTA, had a "honey do" vacation...Supervisor ARTHUR SIMS and his wife did some fishing in Canada. Art will be going to camp with the boy scouts before long. He has spent well over a quarter of a century helping young boys...The installation of officers at CTA American Legion Post No. 1216 will be held on October 11 at the Fort Dearborn hotel. JOHN CANNELLA will be the new post commander. The women's auxiliary and the junior auxiliary will be installed at the same time.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend and join their ranks. ..Plans are now being made for the October breakfast of the Little Flower Society. You don't have to be Catholic to attend, and it will give you an opportunity of meeting old friends who you probably haven't seen in a long time. When you meet Father Quentin you think right away, "there should be more people like him," and you will come again. See you there.

- Julia Brousek

CLAIM -

We wish to extend our best wishes to AL GIDDINS and his lovely wife, MARION, who we had the pleasure of meeting at his retirement party. Al retired on July 31 and will be spending his time relaxing, fishing, and boating at his home in Salem, Wisconsin. How about a few pictures of those fish, Al? COLEMAN MORRIS was also down to say goodbye to Al and hi to some of his old friends in the Claim Department...A warm welcome is extended to TOM STEPP who recently joined our staff as a locator. Tom was formerly a clerk at 69th Street...DAVID MUNYER spent a few painful days in the hospital while having his nose fixed. He should be back to work, in good condition, by the time this is published. We hope we'll be able to recognize the new David...ROSEMARY RITROVATO vacationed for eight glorious days in Las Vegas, Nevada. She stayed at Ceaser's Palace, and one of the highlights of her visit was seeing Elvis Presley in person. We just can't seem to break up the Ritrovato clan. While in Vegas, Ro's brother, TONY, and his wife, REGGIE, got together for a friendly drink and a little gambling...MARGE LYNCH spent her vacation time soaking up the sun in Florida. While there she managed to obtain a few more freckles...ED HAYS and his wife, PAT, and their son, JOHN, enjoyed vacationing with relatives in New Hampshire...DIANE RITROVATO spent her vacation time helping her parents move into their new home. It was a lot of work, but well worth it...MARGE CONWAY enjoyed a three-week vacation touring England, Scotland, and Ireland...ELEANOR GARRO spent two weeks touring California with her niece, ANDREA BERG. While in San Francisco they visited another niece, ROSEMARY GARRO, a former student ticket agent. After leaving San Francisco they visited Yosemite National Park, which Eleanor feels was the highlight of their trip. They also took a mission tour from San Francisco to Los Angeles and spent four days at Disneyland...MARY TRAXLER and her husband, FRANK, spent their two-week vacation taking in the sights of San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Las Vegas, Nevada. Disneyland, San Francisco's Chinatown, and Fisherman's Wharf were just a few of the attractions. While in Las Vegas, Mary and Frank viewed Hoover Dam and took a trip out to Nellis Air Force Base where Frank was once stationed. They came home with many memories of an enjoyable trip.

- Ruth Kaminski & Terri Kramer

ELECTRICAL (General Office) -

Vacation time is here and our co-workers are enjoying "getting away from it all."..C. W. MALOTTKE, superintendent of construction and maintenance, and his wife visited Pompano Beach and Fort Lauderdale, Florida. They were entertained by WANDA and JACK KRAUSE and the HERMAN ERICSONS. These gentlemen are former transportation superintendents. The Malottke's son, The Reverend WILLIAM N. MALOTTKE, was selected as one of the outstanding young men of America for the past year. He has been recently assigned to Trinity Episcopal church in Jacksonville, Illinois...HERMAN SMITH and his family drove to Miami Beach, and then flew to Nassau. The flight to the Bahamas was an exciting "first" for Mrs. Smith. On their return trip they visited St. Augustine, Cape Kennedy, and Cypress Gardens. The most thrilling stop for the children was the Lion Country. As they cautiously drove through this territory the wild animals roamed all around them. This is also the home of some of the "Born Free" cubs. In Clearwater the family stopped at the Kapok Tree Inn, a most unusual restaurant and well worth seeing... BERNADETTE KIZIOR, KAY CORCORAN of Executive, and MARY BERRY of Claim drove around Lake Michigan and Lake Superior. They stopped at Interlocken Music Camp, Mackinac Island, Sault Ste. Marie, and Canada. Highlights of the trip were a visit to Isle Royale National Park on Lake Superior and a grand finale spent in Dorr County at Gordon's Lodge in Bailey's Harbor. A metal sculpture of buttercups and mushrooms was the favorite souvenir that Bernadette brought home...JOHN CHWISTEK, power supervisor, and his family drove to San Francisco and then down to San Deigo to visit relatives. MIKE RICKSON and his wife and little MIKE flew to San Francisco and Los Angeles and also enjoyed a day at Disneyland...We are happy to hear that MARGARET KINSEY is now home from the hospital and recovering from eye surgery...We extend our sincere sympathy to GENE VANELLA, superintendent of power operation, and his family on the death of his sister who passed away on August 9...Hope that everyone will enjoy the golden days of autumn.

- Kay McAlister

(Blue Island) -

No news is good news, but it won't help me put a column together. So let's hear from some of you Pensioners: G. ANDREWS, A. WILMONT, S. DANECKE, F. JONES, J. NAGRODSKI, F. CZANSTKOWSKI, A. McDERMOTT, W. YOCIUS, J. MICHNICK, C. PETERSON, A. GABLIN, the "Hamburger King" E. BRECHEL, C. WOLF, C. J. BUCK, and there are 30 or 40 more names I will mention in the next issue. Oops, I almost forgot FRANK, Mrs. CORRIGAN. Well, this gives me half a column. Now to mention a few who are on vacation. R. DORGAN spent two weeks in Hawaii; ZIGGY spent three weeks in Wisconsin; R. BOOTH visited Wisconsin; S. CHARLETON and G. CHRISTENSEN went to Michigan, and H. COYNE spent his time on his back porch in Chicago...CHESTER MATUSZEWSKI was seen brushing up on his golf game. Who is he planning to beat? Not HOWARD LODDING!..Off sick at this writing are: W. LOOS, H. CORDT, C. MULBRANDON, B. BONIFAY, L. DONOFRIO, R. PRIESBE, and A. FENNEMA. Hurry and get well, men. I'm sure a visit or a card would be appreciated...Our deepest sympathy to the Hill family in the loss of JOHN...P.S. Pensioners get that mail rolling.

- William Rehder

ENGINEERING -

The Engineering Department recently had a visit from Pensioner ROBERT LINK. Everyone was delighted to see how young and well he looked...We also had a visit from PEGGY LEONARD and her son, MICHAEL, who is fifteen months old. The baby is darling and Peggy is as charming

as ever...We're sorry to report that we must bid farewell to MANNY SIEGEL who was engineer of bridges and structures. Manny left us on August 29 to enter private practice. We all wish him much luck in his new endeavors...It's vacation time again and we have a full schedule this year. LEO LIZAK spent a week with his mother in Closter, New Jersey. Sorry to say that it wasn't exactly a social visit. His mother had suffered a broken hip. Hope she gets well soon, Leo. CHESTER (Rusty) RUSAKIEWICZ and his wife made a trip to Conover, Wisconsin, in their new 1970 Pontiac. The weather was very warm and the fishing was fair, unfortunately there were no spectacular catches. While there, they did much driving and shopping along the countryside and managed to visit a few night spots. They also visited BURT ENGBERG, Electrical Department retiree. All in all, it was a delightful and relaxing vacation away from the smog and fast-moving Chicagoans. . . LOUISE SANDSTROM flew up to Northeastern Wisconsin and Michigan for a two-week vacation. She spent most of her time with her sister and brother-in-law at their summer home at Stager Lake near Crystal Falls, Michigan. She also spent some time with her sister, EDITH, who is at the old homestead for the summer and whom she hadn't seen since 1966. Louise attended several dinner parties and enjoyed seeing many of her old classmates at home on vacation... ROY SMITH and his wife have a visitor at their home who some of you may know. She's Roy's wife's twin sister, ANNE MARIE VELIKAN. Anne Marie worked in the Engineering Department and in Public Information. She moved to Texas after resigning from CTA, but came back for a two-week vacation...HANK LUEBECK and his family traveled to Florida on their vacation. They visited Cape Kennedy, which, I'm sure, was a memorable experience. Outside of that, their activities were quiet and restful sunbathing on the white sandy beaches of Florida. JACK O'REILLY and his wife, EILEEN, his daughter, MAUREEN, and his son, TOM, motored to Denver, and visited Estes Park and other local attractions where they had an enjoyable time. They then moved on to Colorado Springs and Pikes Peak with all of its beauty, and adjacent surroundings of amusement, history, mining, ranch dinners, etc. On the return trip they visited Bagnell Dam in the Lake of the Ozarks where they toured the various lakes, enjoyed riding paddle wheel river boats, visiting amusement parks, and the Bridal Cave in Camdenton, Missouri. They reported a memorable 18-day trip of enjoyable weather, scenery, swimming, boating, and one of their most entertaining tours...The Engineering Department must say so-long-for-awhile to ANNA (Dutchie) KEAG. Dutch was our summer help but left us on August 28 to return to school. She will be attending Mayfair Junior college to further her education in nursing. Come next summer we'll be happy to see her smiling face again and get to hear about her exciting weekend adventures every Monday. So to Dutch, so long for awhile and good luck in school. We'll be counting the weekends till your return...Our deepest sympathy is extended to DAN HIRSCHFELD and his family on the death of their three-year old daughter, DEBBIE, on August 16.

(West Shops) -

As you Transit News readers know, it's vacation time so the column is rather small...CONNIE GILLESPIE, boiler foreman, returned to work after a six-week vacation in Ireland. He went to see his mother for the first time in 8 years. Gillespie said while he was there he took his mother to Belfast to have a talk with Bernadette Devlin and to tell her to stop acting so naughty. I think he's pulling our leg though. You didn't really go to see her did you, Connie? Incidentally, thanks for the sweater you brought me to give to my husband--he loved it...HAROLD BERNDT, supervisor, had a two-week vacation and when I asked him about it, his only reply was that it wasn't long enough. So apparently he must have been having a rip-roaring time... JENNIE SCOTT spent a week's vacation in Wisconsin with her sister and brother-in-law. She spent the week sunning, swimming, and eating, and came back to work with a beautiful tan saying her vacation wasn't long enough...Plumbers ED PETERSEN and RONALD HAYES are no longer plumber helpers. They now have a right to go around sporting plumbing toolbags because they have finished their training and are now considered full-fledged plumbers. Congratulations, fellows, you never can tell what might happen now. ..Speaking of plumbers, CONNIE HAFFEY is back to work after his siege of illness. Glad to have you back, Connie!.. Plumber SCAPPUCCI is still off sick and we wish him a get well and a hurry back...We're glad to hear that the wife of Clerk ART STEERS is recovering nicely at home after her operation. It's still going to be rather rough going, but Art seems to be prepared for the job...Supervisor WALLY HALLFORD's daughter, WENDY, is at home recovering from having her tonsils taken out. The parents were almost as nervous and upset as the child as they kept renewing their promises of all the ice cream she could eat and all the soda pop she could drink...BILL GILLIGAN, assistant steamfitter foreman, is still off with illness and we wish him a speedy recovery. We miss your smiling face, Bill...Plumber V. LaMARCA spent a five-week vacation touring Rome, Naples, Italy, and Sicily to name a few. He visited people that he hadn't seen for 40 years or more. I'll bet most of his time was spent catching up on news and reminiscing. . . JOE WASHINGTON, carpenter foreman, spent a two-week vacation relaxing at home. The only work he did was picking green beans with his wife on some farm, which he says he doesn't know the name of or where it is located. He came down to the office to pick up his check in quite a flashy outfit, which consisted of kelly green bermuda shorts and a green and white shirt to match. Wow!..The softball team representing the Building Department recently completed their first season of competition. They had one victory and nine defeats. Better luck next year, fellows, every team has their slump. Our thanks to the most dependable players: H. D. HERRING, JOE HILL, PRESTON BROWN, ED RICHARDSON, and JIM BEATTY who is team manager. All of these guys say they plan to walk away with the championship next year. Incidentally, a basketball team is now being formed. Check the bulletin

THIS COOSOME twosome is CHARLES CHRISTNER and GLENDA GONZALES who were united in marriage on September 26 at Queen of Angels church. Charles is the son of Agent HELEN CHRISTNER, West Section.

board for details...PATTI GILL, paint foreman, recently became a grandpa when a grandson, BRYON PATRICK, was born. Patti said the baby's parents were both former ticket agents for CTA...CHARLIE DUNKIN, track foreman, recently spent 12 days in San Francisco and Oakland, California. Charlie was greatly impressed and fascinated by the Bay Bridge and the Golden Gate Bridge. He and his wife also visited Fisherman's Wharf, which is similar to our Old Town, only he said it is better. What a thing to say, Charlie--better than Chicago!..BILL STAPLETON, steamfitter, retired on September 1 after 26 years with the company. For those of you who aren't familiar with Bill he worked out of the South Shops. His fellow workers provided quite a tasty spread for him at West Shops. The corned beef, ham, and meat loaf sandwiches were delicious. General Manager T. B. O'CONNOR was among the well-wishers. Bill says he plans to travel, spending quite a bit of time in Wisconsin and on the West Coast. Good luck to you, Bill, and a happy retirement!..WEST SHOPS FLASH: What very prominent surveyor boss is sporting a new mustache that makes him seem like he has quite a new image?..TOM POPEK, surveyor, spent a two-week vacation with his family fishing at Wilderness Lake, Illinois. They didn't have much luck, but had a lot of fun camping and swimming.

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

GENERAL OFFICE (Insurance) -

ED DONAHUE and his wife toured parts of Wisconsin, visiting Lake Delavan, Twin Lakes, and Tomahawk...ANN GOLDING and her husband drove to Rhinelander, Wisconsin, for a two-week period of rest and should be in grand shape for work...CAROL ARNDT and her husband drove through Canada for a week's vacation. We also understand they have been on camping trips for several weekends... TERRY MNICHOWICZ and her husband flew over the weekend, by United, to Portland, Oregon, to visit the famous Mt. Hood and surrounding territories. They also flew on another weekend to Denver, Colorado, to see how the West is doing.

(Research & Planning) -

R/P would like to welcome back DALE MANGELSDORFF from military service. The service must have done funny things to Dale, he has been working diligently at his desk and even seems to be enjoying it. It's nice to have you with us again, Dale...On the vacation agenda is CHARLES DROZDA, GEORGE MACAK, MARY ELLEN RUSS, and STEVE LEGLER. Charley spent a few weeks in Spooner and Island Lake, Wisconsin. He went fishing and caught some northern pike and bass. Charley didn't catch any of the big ones, but he caught a nice tan sitting in his boat all that time waiting for one. Green Bay and Baraboo, Wisconsin, were hosts to George and his family for their vacation. Since George is a rail fan, one of his first stops was the Railroad Museum in Green Bay. After Green Bay, they went to the circus in Baraboo where CHUCK, their son, undoubtedly had a good time. As of this writing Mary Ellen is on a boat cruise in the Bahamas. She hopes to get a nice tan, have a good time, and find some nice looking guys. If we know Mary Ellen, she will. With all the nickels we gave her for the slot machines, she better come back with some loot. Hope she doesn't forget we're getting 50 per cent of all the winnings. Steve and his wife, SHARI, are on their way to Frisco and visiting some of their relatives along the way. With their family clan spread across the states, we expect Steve back just before Christmas... WALLY PASZYNA's little girl just returned home from the hospital after a severe ear infection. Wally, the typical father, was really worried about LUCINDA and was walking around the office in another world. We're glad to know that she's feeling better now...R/P is deeply saddened by the recent death of HARVIE KOEHN. Harvie was a student trainee with CTA for a number of summers and would soon have obtained his master's degree from Illinois Institute of Technology. We express our sympathy to his wife, JUDY. Harvie was a fine person and we'll always remember him.

(Treasury) -

JAYNE O'CONNELL became Mrs. WILLIAM DRAKE DICKINSON on August 8. Following the wedding a reception was held at the Martinique Restaurant...Our sympathy is extended to HAROLD DONIHI and his family on the sudden death of his wife and to ROD HEFFERMAN whose mother passed away...As of this writing CHARLES ABT is on the sick list. MAURICE CONNORS is still confined to the hospital and slowly recuperating...EMIL DERMA and his wife drove to Washington, D.C., to visit President Nixon to see if he could straighten out the situation of the country; but first they shopped for shock absorbers...HAROLD DONIHI enjoyed the thrill of a lifetime on August 23 when he shot a 149 yard hole-in-one on the fourth hole at Northwestern golf course.

(Public Information) -

KATHLEEN SZATKOWSKI surprised the office with the announcement she would wed ROBERT HARTZ at a 1 p.m. nuptial mass at St. Stanislaus Kostka church on August 15. A reception was held at Zum Deutschen Eck restaurant. It seems Robert received his "Greetings" from Uncle Sam to come and visit him on August 20. Kathy was taken to lunch at the M&M Club by her friends. A surprise shower was given by her friend, SUE PIERCE, and she received many lovely gifts. We wish the newlyweds the best of health and happiness in their new life together...FRANK DISCH took his lovely wife, HELEN, for their 35th honeymoon by train, plane, and boat to Juneau, Alaska. They spent four marvelous weeks touring parts of our 50th state. He said it was quite a thrill to have the boat rocked by large pieces of glacier that broke away and went crashing into the water. Frank shows evidence of the good food that was served on the boat. He claims that besides the three main meals of the day, there were the special "goodies" they received at 11 p.m. He was in a group tour of 300 people and made many new friends...JOHN J. DONOVAN had a very enjoyable vacation at Sisters Lake, Michigan, and the weather was favorable...WILLIAM PINASCO of the Charter Section and his wife flew to Mexico City and Acapulco for ten days and had a grand time.

(Employment) -

SHAWN KING flew to Hawaii and became Mrs. JAMES McNAMARA. Her husband is presently stationed in Viet Nam...JACK O'CONNOR and his wife and family drove to Washington, D.C. They also spent eight days in Rockville, Maryland, visiting with his sister...RAY RUZICH, along with his wife and family, drove to Mackinac island for a two-week vacation...RITA HURLEY and her husband and family drove to Miami Beach, Florida. Congratulations are in order upon her promotion to employment clerk... Congratulations are also in order for SUE HOLZER who was promoted to secretarial steno I...STAN TADEVIC and

his wife drove to Chinle, Arizona, at the Navajo Reservation to visit the seven-year old Indian boy they are sponsoring through school.

(Medical) -

An open house was held on August 26 for Dr. G. H. IRWIN, medical consultant and former medical director, who retired after 48 years of service...RITA WANTROBA and her husband spent a week's vacation on their boat water skiing and motored to Lake Geneva enjoying the hot sun...MARY LEDWITH flew for a week's vacation to Washington, D.C., to visit with her friend and tour the capitol and other points of interest.

(Office Services) -

JOHN PHILLIPS, mail clerk, spent his vacation enjoying the Wisconsin Dells.

(Executive) -

JANE MITCHELL and her three grandnieces flew to sunny California for a two-week vacation, visiting Los Angeles, San Diego, and San Francisco.

(Reproduction Services) -

ART TONNER, photographic section, already the proud grandfather of lovely little two-year old KELLY, now announces the birth of his first grandson, EDWIN CALMEYN III, on August 11 weighing 7 pounds 6 ounces. Congratulations!..MARYANN DAUKSHIS became engaged to TIM TRACEY while on her vacation, and also visited Boston, his home town. Wedding bells will be ringing on March 27, 1971...JOAN FITZGERALD spent a week's vacation at Twin Lakes, Wisconsin, driving through its surroundings... ADELE MONSON is enjoying the beautiful weather at the Dells.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

KEDZIE -

Now that some of us are back from vacation, let me have some news about your trip or the big fish you caught so I can put it in our Transit News to let all our readers enjoy reading about your travels...Your reporter and his wife, MEL, our granddaughter, VALERI, Operator G. DiMEO and his wife, DORA, their sister-in-law, JOSEPHINE, and her husband, JIM IOVINO, drove to Holy Family convent at Benet Lake, Wisconsin. The Benedictine sisters had a bar-B-que chicken dinner day and rides for the kids. We met some friends there, including Operator KEHOE of North Avenue Depot...Congratulations to Operator D. WILSON. His daughter-in-law gave birth to a baby boy on June 15. They named their son RUSSELL. This makes the fourth grandchild for the Wilsons...Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. CHARLES SEEBOCK on the loss of her husband, CHARLES SEEBOCK, who was laid to rest on Monday, August 3, at Irving Park Boulevard cemetery. Charles was on pension and a former board member at Kedzie...Don't forget to save a little in the credit union. We depend upon you to save so others can depend upon the credit union.

- Raymond Graham

LAWNDALE -

With summer drawing to a close and everyone coming back from their vacations, the 1970 Division 241-CTA softball league completed its season on August 2 with the Mighty Men of Lawndale the overall league champions. Pictured here are the fellows who brought the first-place trophy to Lawndale, listed in alphabetical order: JAMES BURRIS, co-captain: JOHNNIE COLEMAN; JIM HAYNIE,

coach; QUINTIN JAMES, coach; RONNIE JONES; STERLING MARTIN; RON McINTYRE; RONNIE McKNIGHT; JOHN PENDLETON, scorekeeper; GEORGE REEVES; BENNIE ROGERS, manager; MELVIN SANDERS; WILLIE THOMPSON; CHARLIE WAIR; WALTER WALKER; EARL WASHINGTON, and RALPH WILLIAMS, co-captain. JAMES MARSHALL, your reporter, missed the picture due to an injury. Our thanks to the team for the fine cooperation and participation in making this another winning season. The team would like to thank everyone for their moral support. ..On July 1, Operator G. LUNDIN retired after 27 years of service...Congratulations to KENNETH COX, the son of Operator and Mrs. H. COX, who was married to CAROL BOJAK on June 20...Operator and Mrs. LONNIE JOHNSON celebrated their 21st wedding anniversary on June 30...Mr. and Mrs. MILFORD SHELTON celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on July 21...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. JERALD KRAUS on the birth of a daughter, DEBRA ANN, on July 5, weighing 6 pounds 8 ounces...On August 9, AMVET Post 247 held their annual post picnic at Green Lake. Drawing for prizes at the picnic, Operator LEON MINOR walked away with a $25 Savings Bond...We're glad to see Superintendent JOHN FARRIS back after his recent illness...We received a card from former Lawndale Operator CLYDE BEDFORD, presently of Beverly, who is touring New Orleans, and also heard from MARTY KARIOLICH who is touring California...T. JACKSON and R. AUSTIN both visited New York this summer...Operator and Mrs. E. JONES toured the southern states this summer with their son, home on leave from military service, and their two grandsons...O. TORK, C. WISNIEWSKI, J. LUSCALZO, D. PAPA, and S. ZIARKO all spent their five weeks repairing and traveling...J. HAYNIE and W. HARRIS are fishing in New York, and Q. JAMES said they were biting good in Disneyland...S. HYERCZYK hasn't told me where he went on his vacation yet. What's the secret, Stanley?..On August 7, Operator and Mrs. ABE WILSON became the proud parents of ANTHONY OTHELLOS. Tony weighed in at 6 pounds 5 ounces at birth...Each year there are a select group of men given an award for their outstanding achievement in job proficiency displayed daily while on their jobs. Following is a list of men named employes of the year from Lawndale: S. Adams, J. Bell, J. Boker, H. Boyd, G. Brichacek, A. Calabrese, E. Celovsky, B. Cooper, R. Cullar, J. Daniels, A. Dickerson, F. Dvorak,

P. Edgerton, A. Farrelly, R. Fay, J. Fears, R. Fenrick, J. Fitchpatrick, A. Formanek, R. Frenette, W. Halla, S. Hardy, T. Houston, A. Jackson, L. Johnson, E. Jones, J. Kalka, C. Kasal, W. Klecka, P. Kurek, H. Luka, G. Malarz, J. Marshall, M. Myers, C. Michalec, W. Miller, P. Molfese, R. Moose, L. Muhowski, C. Pendleton, J. Pendleton, J. Riha, R. Ross, F. Schaffer, M. Sperando, S. Szarafinski, O. Tork, J. Viollt, E. Washington, and S. Ziarko...Happy birthdays go out to the following employes this month: J. Bell, S. Davis, A. Dickerson, E. Duff, P. Edgerton, J. Fitchpatrick, A. Formanek, V. Gill, R. Hargewood, J. Johnson, R. McIntyre, J. Moore, E. Priest, R. Smith, M. Sperando, E. Strugalla, E. Szot, P. Tally, C. Whitman, A. Williams, and G. Woods...Recently BOB HOLTAM returned to Beverly Station where he'll be closer to home. Bob said that he hated to leave Lawndale because he had met a nice bunch of guys there. Good luck, Bob...That's all for now.

- James Marshall

KEELER -

Hi folks! If this entry appears in your current magazine, I'll owe my everlasting gratitude to Editor Bob Heinlein and his magnificent staff. Reason: I was on vacation at deadline time and the hectic schedule I tried to follow can only be described as "wowee." What with painting the hallway and stairs, building new bookshelves, and one day off to go fishing and get drenched, the only bright spot in the entire bit was a favorite laboratory experiment which I perfected--the formula goes something like this: J.B.+ H2O...Hardly recognized our chief clerk, ELMER RIEDEL. He had such a deep California tan, that I almost mistook him for a soul brother. Elmer said he hiked in the mountains and enjoyed every mile of it...MYRON NIMYLOWYCZ sent all the fellows a greeting card from Wildwood, New Jersey. Judging from the card, the wildest things there are the women...While on the subject of the fairer sex, let's all wish the wife of Clerk RONNIE MILLER a speedy recovery from a broken leg...Happy birthday greetings are extended to NELLIE, the wife of Operator SY GOLDMAN, September 26, and to ELLEN, the wife of Operator J. PRESSWOOD, August 15. The Presswoods also celebrated their wedding anniversary on August 15...Serviceman LULLING SAVAGE blew out his candles on August 9 and saved a few to put on the cake for his wife, CAROLYN, August 15, and then mom bought new candles for their daughter, VENITA, August 19...The bells are really ringing for the new birthdays in September, so here goes. A big dingdong for KIM ROCHELLE NEIL, the daughter of Operator NATIOUS NEIL; Operator SHERIDAN SAILS, a little ding September 2, because he gets a loud one on September 4 for his fifth wedding anniversary with his wife, EDDIE; Operator S. H. WEIL's first lady, MELODY, celebrated September 8; and many dings for the following operators: HUSBAND, September 1; REMBACK, September 1; LABERN, September 5; NIMYLOWYCZ, September 5; JEFFRIES, September 9; BARNES, September 5; PYZNA, September 7; HARPER, September 11; LEE, September 15; MILLER, September 16; WRIGHT, September 19; BELLINO, September 22; WIDENHOEFER, September 22; JOZWIAK, September 23; NEIL, September 23; DADDEZIO, September 23; BERRY, September 25; BUTLER, September 28; WIGGINS, September 29, and MOLENDA, September 29. ..Say, I bumped into Pensioner JACK KAMIEN, who was a former garage foreman at Keeler and a real nice guy. It was a pleasure to see him looking so good...Our condolences to Operator BOBBIE BARRY on the loss of his mother...A special salute to Coach ANTHONY BERRY and the Keeler softball team for making the play-offs. Nice going, fellows, I know you will make it all the way next year. . . Holiday greetings to all our Jewish friends, or should I say, greetings to all persons of good faith...Well, folks, back to the laboratory for another bit of experimentation. See you next month.

- Ernest C. Carter

LOOP -

GENNY HARDING enjoyed her vacation in California and hated to leave behind some new friends she acquired while there. They were "feathered friends" and Genny enjoyed feeding them each day...Agent BILL PFEIFFER is having fun bucking around town in his brand new Maverick...Agent MARY GALLAGHER is back from her vacation which was spent at Daytona Beach and Nassau. She had a gay time. Wherever Mary goes there's sure to be fun...Agent CAROLINE WHITE vacationed in Canada and had an enjoyable trip, to say the least...Agent JUNE BAREKMAN is on the go again! This time June has plans for some deep sea fishing in Florida...Congratulations are in order for Student Agent JOHN GUIHAN who was married June 14. John and his bride honeymooned in Washington, D.C., and New York. Former Student Agent TOM BARRETT was married on Saturday, August 1. Best of luck, fellas!..In the "what's new department" we have two new "mini-citizens" to welcome. On July 6, Agent AGNES NOONE gave birth to a 10 pound 11 ounce boy, SEAMUS PATRICK. Also, MARION and KEITH HANNING were delighted with the arrival of their new son, KEITH Jr., who was all of 7 pounds...Welcome back to LILLIAN CONROY who has recovered from her recent illness and is now back on the job...Agent ANN CINCETTI and her husband, HUGO, plan to vacation in Miami Beach and soak up the sunshine there in October... Agent MONICA LAMPKE also plans an October vacation. She will visit her sister and family in California...Belated birthday wishes to Assignment Agent LILLIAN CULLINAN. ..Agent "Butch" TURNER has shed the white belt, along with a few pounds. Nice work, Butch...We would like to extend our sympathy to the family of retired Assignment Agent MARGARET SHERHART who recently passed away, and also to the family of EILEEN CARMODY on the death of her brother...Agent MARY DOYLE spent her four-week vacation in Las Vegas and California. While in Las Vegas, Mary really enjoyed the night clubs and food. But when she almost lost her shirt, she left there fast. In California Mary and her friends found a lot of places to visit. The weather was nice and warm and dry. She said it was great. ..Janitor PATRICK DOYLE spent his vacation in Ireland, where he enjoyed being with his brother and sister...Pensioner PIERCE FLECK and Clerk DAN DOYLE, Douglas, celebrated their birthdays on August 11. Pierce had a big celebration with his family and close friends. Dan and his one-year old grandson, DANNY, had a lovely birthday party. It started with a cookout at our oldest son's home, and in the evening relatives and close friends of Dan's gathered and had a great old time. Two of Dan's cousins who attended were Mr. and Mrs. L. ERICKSON, retired vice-president and part owner of Great Lake Screw corporation, and Miss ANN AYLWARD of Aylward's Roundup restaurant and cocktail lounge, noted for their excellent cuisine. That's why Dan's so chubby...Just heard that Collector LATHAM spent his two long weeks up in Canada fishing...

Agent M. HAASE is back from her vacation, as are DOROTHY and LEO FORD who spent two weeks in Wisconsin and Michigan...Agent S. MURPHY had an extra vacation this year. She went up, up and away to Ireland to visit with her family and friends...Janitor "Big" DAN went down home to Tennessee for his vacation and did some work around the family home...Sorry to hear that Agent FAY CAPRIO fell and broke her arm. Let's hope it's better by this time and Fay's back on the job...Agent W. STRASSER and his wife just returned from a cool vacation in Wisconsin. While away they celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary... Agent J. FILIPEK and his family just returned from vacation. Now John is looking ahead to next year. It'll be a long winter before then, John.

- Mildred Doyle & Mary Wirted

LIMITS -

We had three men who embarked upon the sea of matrimony during the months of July and August. CHARLES WADLINGTON with a cute girl by the name of LUCY--the happy couple honeymooned down in New Orleans; RUDY DAQUALANTE with a cute miss by the name of SHARON--they took short trips in and around Chicago on their honeymoon, and RONALD BROWN with a pretty lass by the name of YVETTE. Brown would not disclose where they went on their honeymoon. He reported it was top secret. Congratulations and best wishes to these happy couples...We received a number of cards from men who were enjoying their vacations. JAMES TAYLOR vacationing in Lynchburg, Virginia; GEORGE LUKA and his wife, BERNICE, who had a wonderful time in sunny Newport Beach, California; JOHN GOELZ who went to Phoenix, Arizona, where he visited his sister and family and reports the temperature was well over the 100-degree mark daily, hot and very dry; JOHN FOIT who had an enjoyable trip to Bavaria, Poland, and the surrounding countries, and ILMAR GRAUDINS and his family who drove up to cool Northern Canada where the scenery is fantastic...DAN CLARK, day foreman of the repair department, took his pension on August 1 after 35 years of service. May you have a long and healthful pension, Dan...JOHN F. GRANT, assistant day foreman of the repair department, also took his pension on August 1 after 47 years of service. May you also enjoy your pension to the fullest with plenty of good health...PHILLIP O'CONNOR is the new day foreman and we wish him the best in his new position...Operator WHITE, captain of the Limits softball team, wishes to thank all of the players for their outstanding performance in making Limits one of the top teams in the Division 241-CTA softball league...Supervisor DAQUALANTE, who is stationed at North Western station, reports that he and his wife welcomed into their home a cute little miss by the name of KATHLEEN MARIE. Congratulations to the proud parents...Repairman EARL RODGERS reports that his son-in-law, MICHAEL HOFFERT, and his daughter, LINDA, welcomed a baby girl into their home who was named CATHLEEN CARRIE. Mike is the son of Mr. and Mrs. JOHN HOFFERT, and is also a relief clerk at North Avenue Station, now on military leave serving with the armed forces in Viet Nam. Congratulations to the proud parents and grandparents...D. FINNOCHIO and Box Puller A. CHRISMAN are back on the active list after a siege of illness...Instructor PAUL KADOWAKI entered Grant hospital to undergo surgery. A speedy and healthful recovery to you, Paul...Our sincerest sympathy to the families of RUSSELL ODDO and AL LEDENBACK who passed away; also to Relief Superintendent LOU MUELLER whose father passed away at the age of 85. Operator JAMES BITTAKIS passed away suddenly while waiting to make his relief. The mother of FRANK KOUBA passed away during the month of July, and WALTER PARNUM, the grandfather of Instructor BILL PARNUM, also passed away. Our sincerest sympathy to the families of these departed ones.

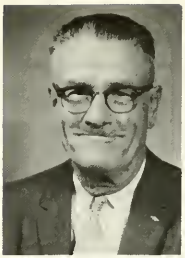
- R. S. Benson

NORTH AVENUE -

Operator JOSEPH GUINTA and his wife, ANGELINE, plan to celebrate their 32nd wedding anniversary on November 19 dining out. Operator HERMAN LANG and his wife, LIDIA, will celebrate their 3rd anniversary October 28. They plan a fishing trip to Northern Wisconsin. Repair Department Clerk WAYNE MIEDEMA and his wife, BONNIE, celebrated their third year of wedded bliss on August 5. On October 10, Wayne will be a year older. Operator LOUIS BERRY and his wife, PHYLLIS, celebrated their 15th anniversary August 6. They took a fishing trip to Kenosha, Wisconsin. My son, DAVID, will be 12 years old on September 27. Our congratulations all around. If your reporter was still having birthdays, he'd be having one on October 26, but he quit having them when he was 39. ..New members of the Courtesy Caravan Club are Operators L. WEAVER, BERNARD MURPHY, H. TAYLOR, AARON PRUITT, and W. ADAMS. Good work, boys...Supervisor THOMAS McCANN visited Mayo, Ireland. Supervisor SALVADOR PERCE and his wife, MARY LOU, visited Acapulco, Mexico. They plan to fly to Mexico City, Guadalajara, and Puerto Vallarta. Supervisor-Instructor EDWARD JURCZAK vacationed in the Ozarks. He and his wife are looking for a retirement site. Lots of luck, Ed and ANN. Operator FRANK STETZER vacationed at Fargo, North Dakota, where the fishing was good and the weather hot. Operator EDWARD MURPHY flew to England and Ireland. We'll have more about that trip in the next issue. Clerk AL ROHDE will have a long-awaited vacation over Labor Day at Elkhorn, Wisconsin...We extend our sympathy to the families of the following: Operator JAMES SULLIVAN who passed away May 30; Clerk RUSSELL T. ODDO who passed away July 11; Operator GEORGE SNEAD who departed this life July 27, and Collector THOMAS LYONS who recently passed away. Jesus said, "I go to prepare a place for you that where I am there ye may be also."..Superintendent FRANK BUETOW was in West Suburban hospital for a checkup. We hope he is in the best of health now...We were happy to receive letters from Pensioners LARS PEARSON and his wife, ANNA, and from Pensioner BILL ECHOLS. Bill tells us that LON COQUILLETTE is enjoying the cool of his summer home at Gordon, Wisconsin. JACK KRAUSE, once a dispatcher at the Mart, and his wife, who was a telephone operator at the Mart, are going to visit Chicago and Las Vegas. EDDIE HANSON, who was also a dispatcher at the Mart, is visiting his son in Chicago. Lars tells us that his sciatica had been bothering him, but he has now caught up on his work around his house and done some fishing. The weather is hot and he enjoys his air conditioning...Two August 1 pensioners are Operators EDGAR BROWN and OLIVER WIKRENT. We wish them the best of everything and hope they'll keep in touch...Clerk FRANK PASCHE will celebrate his 35th year with the company on September 23. We all expect to mark the occasion with cake and coffee...PETER GERAME Jr. took his dad, PETER GERAME Sr., Repair Department, for a plane ride

NEW PENSIONERS

F. M. BLACK
41 Years



F. W. BASSETT
43 Years

J. LOFTUS
44 Years

R. F. LUMPP
41 Years

T. J. PANEK
43 Years

G. C. ROHRHUBER
41 Years

C. E. OHLSON
40 Years

JOINING THE ranks of the retired September 1 were the seven employes pictured here who had 40 or more years of transit service.

BEING CONGRATULATED upon his retirement September 1 was **KENNETH L. MANAUGH**, North Section superintendent, who is shown here with General Manager **T. B. O'CONNOR**. Mr. Manaugh entered the service of the former Chicago Rapid Transit on September 21, 1926, as a trainman and served in various capacities until becoming a station superintendent in March, 1960.

WALTER W. BAROWSKY, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 11-11-27
FLOYD W. BASSETT, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 7-26-27
FRANK M. BLACK, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 1-23-29
NORA M. BROWN, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 10-17-53
JOSEPH COCHRANE, Operator,
Keeler, Emp. 3-24-43
FELIX DUNNE, Boiler Maintainer,
Engineering, Emp. 6-25-48
ADOLPH C. GEMMET, Bus & Truck Mechanic,
South Shops, Emp. 8-24-36
JOHN LOFTUS, Bus Repairer,
North Park, Emp. 8-5-26
ROBERT F. LUMPP, Motorman,
North Section, Emp. 4-15-29
KENNETH L. MANAUGH, Superintendent,
North Section, Emp. 9-21-26
JOHN McMAHON, Bus Repairer,
Campaign Area, Emp. 1-4-30
JOHN NORTON, Bus Repairer,
Kedzie, Emp. 5-19-37
CARL E. OHLSON, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 11-6-29
THADDEUS J. PANEK, Bus & Truck Mechanic,
South Shops, Emp. 4-8-27
BERNARD W. PYZIK, Janitor,
West Section, Emp. 11-20-45
GEORGE C. ROHRHUBER, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 1-18-29
MABLE A. SHELTON, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 3-4-47
WILLIAM STAPLETON, Steamfitter Ldr. "A",
Engineering, Emp. 8-17-44
LAWRENCE J. TOBIN, Clerk,
West Section, Emp. 11-11-40

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

LYLE S. CARLSON, Collector,
Limits, Emp. 11-10-58
MARGARET P. HANSON, Purchasing Clerk II,
Purchasing, Emp. 2-10-47
JOHN G. LEMKE, Yard Foreman,
South Section, Emp. 10-28-41
WALTER A. MIKICICH, Operator,
52nd Street, Emp. 1-23-46
MICHAEL O'MALLEY, Bus Serviceman,
North Park, Emp. 10-7-42
FRANK G. SIMEK, Yard Foreman,
North Avenue, Emp. 8-30-46

in a Piper Cub two-seater plane...We hope you had a nice Labor Day weekend. Schools are open, so watch out for children at crossings. Let's cut down on accidents so we will have free coffee and rolls again.

- William Miedema

MILWAUKEE, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Congratulations to KAREN DOMINO, MARY HURDLE, and LILA WHITE who qualified to work in the assignment pool...Congratulations to all who became Employes of the Year...The West Side Student picnic was held on August 9 at Pottawatomie Park with a good turnout. Many of the students will soon be returning to school and we are hoping to see them again next summer...MATHEW (Tiny) HILLGOTH took his pension on August 1 and GEORGE ROHRHUBER took his pension on September 1. We hope they both have a long and healthy retirement...MARY BOYLAN resigned from the CTA to teach school at Mundelein. Good luck, Mary...TAHITA MARTIN and her family spent their vacation in Los Angeles. Her husband, JAMES, was promoted to an apprentice electrician for the company...There is a rumor going around that MARGIE MURRY is getting married and has been so nervous that she lost 17 pounds... SHEILA MURPHY went to Ireland for a two-week vacation. MARY WIXTED is spending two weeks at the Wisconsin Dells. MARY BURROWS went to North Carolina to see her son and his family. He is in the service there. BETTY RUSSO spent ten days in Florida visiting her sister and godchild. FRED FRIEB spent his vacation putting a patio in his back yard... JOHN SAMAAN just returned from a wonderful vacation, from Miami to Key West. He said he really enjoyed it at Key West...HELEN CHRISTNER's son, JOHN, was promoted to Lance Corporal on July 1 and was assigned to Embassy Guard Duty in Saigon. Congratulations...KEITH and MARIAN HANNING had a baby boy on July 18. Keith is the son of JOHN HANNING, clerk at Jefferson Park...MONICA STARZEC is back to work after having surgery. She works at Logan Square in the A.M... MARY VIDAS just moved into her own apartment and furnished it...DEL HARRINGTON vacationed at Leech Lake, Minnesota, with TOM RAPP and his folks and had a wonderful time there. Tom was with the reserves at Camp McCoy for two weeks...Agent E. BEEBE and his wife, EVELYN, enjoyed a two-week vacation in sunny California. They visited San Jose, San Francisco, Anaheim, Disneyland, and Knotts Berry Farm...VIRGINIA TOTCKE spent a week with her daughter during her vacation...C. DANEK of Forest Glen took his family to Poland for three weeks. He flew back and his family returned by boat...A retirement party was held on August 15 for K. L. MANAUGH and T. J. McGOVERN. Everyone had a good time...We were sorry to hear that MARGARET SHERHART from assignment passed away recently. May she rest in peace... Superintendent JOHN FLYNN, Forest Park, vacationed in Florida recently...We were sorry to hear that Agent JO CAROL HUSTON was burned out a few weeks ago, losing all her belongings while working a midnight trick...GRACE MOUNTS and her husband spent two weeks around Colorado Springs vacationing and visiting her son and family. Grace's son, who worked for CTA a short time before going into the service, has moved to Franklin Park and plans to work for the telephone company. Drop us a line and tell us about your vacation, too.

- Grace Mounts & Katy Moriarty

NORTH PARK -

The Division 241 golf outing was held on Monday, July 13, at St. Andrew's Country club with another large turnout. Prizes were awarded to all who attended. Committee members FRANK LASKE and BILL LARSEN are to be commended for their fine handling of this event. Operator LOWELL "Lefty" BRUBACH won the trophy that North Park awards to the golfer turning in the depot's best score. ..Congratulations to Operator HOMER REED who was recently appointed board member by President WARREN SCHOLL of Division 241...The Sambruca Club of Chicago will hold their annual dinner dance on Saturday, November 21, at the Chateau Royale located on West Chicago avenue. The chairman of this affair will be Operator PAT SCIORTINO, assisted by Operators JOE DE SPARTA and PETE MARCHISOTTO. The proceeds from this fine event will be used for providing scholarships for needy children...Operator BILL HASS vacationed at Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, with his wife, DORIS, and daughter, BARBARA. Bill enjoyed several rounds of golf and also visited his father, JULIUS HASS, of Ellison Bay, Wisconsin...NORA CONROY, the wife of Operator TOM CONROY, flew to County Kerry, Ireland, taking along her grandson, JOEY SCALETTA, the son of Operator JOE SCALETTA, for her first visit home in 41 years... Operator BUCKY WALTERS and his wife, DORCAS, and their children, KIRK and HELEN, vacationed in and around Dorr County, Wisconsin. Bucky reports that the golfing and cherry picking were excellent... Operator RAFAEL RODRIGUEZ and his wife, BERTHA, vacationed at Guadalajara, Mexico, where Bertha's mother, Mrs. ROSIA GONZALEZ, resides. On the agenda was viewing the world championship soccer game between Brazil and Uruguay. They also visited Rafael's parents, Mr. and Mrs. MANUEL RODRIGUEZ, who live in Santurco, Puerto Rico. ..Pensioner AL REMACH and his wife, DOROTHY, vacationed in the following places: Yellowstone National Park, Glacier National Park, Lake Louise and Edmonton, Canada, and Fairbanks and Anchorage, Alaska. They flew to Katzeben, crossing the Arctic Circle, and then on to Nome, Alaska...Operator HAROLD BASON and his wife, NORA, and daughter, DEBBIE, vacationed throughout the Northwest. Highlights of the trip were visits to Glacier National Park, Waterton National Park in Canada, Lake Louise, Banff National Park, and Jasper National Park where the Columbia Ice fields are located. The Basons toured British Columbia Province then went into Vancouver where they boarded the ferry to Victoria to see the Butcharts Gardens. From Victoria they returned to Port Angeles, Washington. The Basons drove 5,600 miles on the trip with an Apache trailer attached to their car...Operator LYNN BUTLER and his wife, ANN, vacationed at Spring Lake, Minnesota, where they camped out for two weeks...Operator DALE PETERS and his wife, SUE, and children, PATRICIA, LINDA, and JAMES, vacationed throughout the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. Highlights of the trip were visits to Sault Ste. Marie, Mackinac Island, and a ferry boat ride from Milwaukee to Ludington, Michigan. . . Operator CHARLEY KEMP and his wife, HELEN, and son, GARY, spent their vacation at their summer home in Brookside, Wisconsin. A new porch was added to the Kemp mansion and the fishing results were great...Operator MEL HORNING and his wife, VIOLET, spent a week in Detroit, Michigan, visiting Mr. and Mrs. JACK CHAMBERS. A visit with Pensioner LE ROY PEDERSON and his wife, BERNICE, of Decatur, Michigan, was also on the agenda. Pete and Bernice invite their Chicago friends to stop by at 310 John street and enjoy their grand hospitality when in the area... SP5 ALBERT

KLOPACZ, the son of Operator AL KLOPACZ, is serving with the 1st Air Division, 9th Cavalry Troop A, where he is working as a mechanic with a helicopter unit in Cambodia. ..Operator MIKE RIDGE retired on August 1 after 40 years of service. Mike, who was gifted with that great Irish wit, will be sorely missed around the depot. Mike's plans for the future are indefinite, so we at North Park wish him many years of leisure living...Operator LE ROY CARR played host to 22 boy scouts for ten days at Camp Napwon, Wisconsin. On the agenda was the teaching of various scouting skills which would help the boys for advancement. ..Operator HAROLD SEDIN and his wife, SOPHIA, became grandparents for the 33rd time when their daughter, BARBARA, gave birth to a daughter, LAURA LEE, weighing 7 pounds 9 ounces at Northwest hospital...Happy anniversaries are extended to: Pensioner MIKE RIDGE and his wife, RACHEL, their 36th; Pensioner GEORGE KRINKE and his wife, PEARL, their 41st; Operator RAY DONESKI and his wife, EVELYN, their 42nd; Operator LEN BAEUCHLER and his wife, VIVIAN, their 32nd; Operator ED KURCZEWSKI and his wife, BEVERLY, their 21st; Operator CHESTER DAMIAN and his wife, IRENE, their 30th; Operator HENRY SCHRAMM and his wife, ELIZABETH, their 31st; Sanitary Engineer OSCAR ANDERSON and his wife, LUELLA, their 36th; Operator JOHN KIPPES and his wife, VIRGINIA, their 24th; Operator MEYER LEMEL and his wife, PHYLLIS, their 18th; Operator EDWARD BADEN and his wife, JOSEPHINE, their 39th, and Operator FRED ANHALT and his wife, ANN, their 27th...Happy birthdays are extended to ELYSE LIBERT and PEARL KRINKE...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to Instructor WILLIAM PARNUM on the loss of his father; Operator WILLIAM CURTIS on the loss of his brother, EDWARD CURTIS; Operator GEORGE VOIGHT on the loss of his sister, ANNA ROSINSKI; Operator GEORGE SPRINGER on the loss of his son, EDWARD SPRINGER; Supervisor JOHN PERKINS on the loss of his father; Relief Superintendent LOUIS MUELLER on the loss of his father, CHARLES MUELLER; Receiver ED STENZEL on the loss of his mother, and to the family of Operator GORDON RICE.

Repair Department Chit Chat: ROBERT VANDERMEIR Jr., the son of Repairman BOB VANDERMEIR, was awarded the Eagle Badge, the highest honor in scouting, at St. Stephens church in Carpentersville, Illinois. Robert, whose age is 17, attends Crown High school where he is a senior...The following are enjoying vacations at this writing and we wish them a good time: CHARLES DUNNE, JOHN HENNELLY, LEN TROZANOWSKI, FRANK SCHENDL, B. O'DONNELL, CLEO EVANS, FRANK SIBLEY, A. CARLSON, A. POWELL, JIM MARTIN, TERRY PLUTA, WILLIAM MORRIS, PAT DALY, GEORGE SERRITELLA, R. KRAMER, and L. BOTH...Assistant Foreman ANDY KARIOLICH and his wife, ANNA, became grandparents for the first time when their daughter, DENISE FRER, gave birth to a daughter named ALLISON ANN, born August 11 at Brooklyn General hospital in Brooklyn, New York...Repairman WILLIAM MORRIS and his wife, LINDA, became parents of their first child when a son named WILLIAM Jr. was born on August 8 at Swedish Covenant hospital weighing 7 pounds 6 ounces...Repairman JOHN LOFTUS retired on September 1 after 44 years of service. A party was held at the garage for John and he was presented with several gifts. John's plans for the future will be to do a lot of fishing and work around the house and yard...Serviceman MARIO CHIOVINO vacationed throughout the west and reports that for three days he was entertained by his cousin, FRANK SINATRA, at his Palm Springs, California, home, a luxury he will never forget...Pensioner JULIUS MERSCH and his wife, AGNES, report that they have been traveling all around the country in their new Volkswagen camper, and have nothing but praise for our pension plan...The sympathy of the garage is extended to the family of Pensioner JAMES CRAIG who passed away recently.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

On Thursday, August 6, Station Superintendent K. L. MANAUGH was feted with a birthday party in the terminal office by the station clerks and office personnel. It was Mr. Manaugh's 65th birthday. Special guests at the party were R. MEISNER, retired South Section superintendent, and W. MORLEY, North Side motorman. Lunch and cake were served and Mr. Manaugh was presented with a gift certificate and best wishes from all who attended...Ticket Agent ELSIE V. OLSON spent her vacation on the Florida coast, where she tried her hand at fishing. Lucky? You bet—Elsie caught a 62 inch, 40 pound hammerhead shark... Ticket Agent MARY DONOHOE acknowledges with sincere thanks the kindness and sympathy shown by her co-workers and friends in the sad loss of her uncle...HARRY CHERKASKY is working toward his masters degree in finance at De Paul university. In January he was graduated from the University of Illinois Circle Campus...Who is that fellow in the shiny new red Olds Cutlass? It's none other than (eat your heart out) JIM MORELY. Jim celebrated his birthday on August 13...AL TAJERI, better known as the yellow peril, celebrated his birthday on August 18. Happy birthday to both...Congratulations to DON and ELEANORE MATSUNAGA who celebrated their first wedding anniversary on September 13. Many more happy years to them both...On Sunday, July 26, former Motorman JIM DiCHRISTOPHER visited the Howard Terminal recalling the "good old days." Jim is now residing in Long Beach, California...Supervisor TIM McDONAGH made a 1,400 mile trip up the Mississippi, stopping at the Mississippi Palisades and the twin cities, Minneapolis-St. Paul, coming home through Wisconsin...Supervisor JOE KORAL and his sons made a trip out west stopping at Disneyland. While there they ran into Supervisor DENNIS CLOSS and his family. Both were quite surprised to see one another...Agent HELEN EDWARDS and her husband went on a one-month vacation to Mexico, stopping at Cuernavaca, Mexico City, Saltillo, and then returned to Long Beach, California, and visited her daughter in Anaheim...Janitor TOM LABONO and his sidekick, Agent TONY ABBINNANTI, visited the Ozarks and tried their hand at fishing. Tony claims all they caught were 30 fish the size of your finger. Tom has purchased a mobile home and is now living in Elk Grove Village...Agent GERTA MATHEWS left on her vacation August 11 for a month's visit in Germany...Agents SARA SIMMONS and LORRAINE ORR spent their vacation in Atlanta, Georgia, where they both had a wonderful time. Sara's mother lives in Atlanta, which was the reason for their trip...Agent OKE O'CONNOR and his son traveled through Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Texas, and then into Mexico. That is seeing a lot of country...Agent E. MURPHY and his wife and sister toured the Southwest, where they saw many places of interest, and also drove to Nogales, Mexico. On the return trip they visited with their daughter and new grandchild in California. Their trip was over 4,700 miles and loads of fun...Agent AIDA KOUYOUMDGIAN spent two

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

CALOGERO DIANA, 83, Way & Structures,
Emp. 1-22-25, Died 6-15-70
JOHN W. DIVER, 87, South Section,
Emp. 12-12-10, Died 7-2-70
FRANCIS DYRA, 73, Track,
Emp. 10-29-23, Died 7-21-70
EMIL H. EVENSON, 83, West Section,
Emp. 3-13-13, Died 7-1-70
RAYMOND FELLOWS, 58, Kedzie,
Emp. 9-23-40, Died 7-15-70
MICHAEL FRAIN, 87, 77th Street,
Emp. 11-20-17, Died 7-28-70
JOHN J. GORMAN, 69, South Shops,
Emp. 10-21-26, Died 7-9-70
DANIEL HERMAN, 87, Lawndale,
Emp. 10-29-18, Died 7-8-70
LOUIS H. HERMAN, 70, Kimball,
Emp. 1-7-19, Died 7-11-70
HELGA M. HRUBEC, 81, West Section,
Emp. 3-8-22, Died 6-16-70
CARL H. JOHNSON, 66, Purchasing,
Emp. 9-18-23, Died 7-8-70
VICTOR E. JOHNSON, 74, 77th Street,
Emp. 1-9-20, Died 7-24-70
JOHN KEATING, 73, 77th Street,
Emp. 11-4-24, Died 7-23-70
PATRICK KEHOE, 84, West Shops,
Emp. 1-30-22, Died 7-13-70
JOHN KIRINCICH, 74, Way & Structures,
Emp. 5-1-36, Died 7-2-70
JOSEPH T. KMIEC, 86, North Avenue,
Emp. 5-14-23, Died 7-14-70
ALOYSIAS J. LEDENBACH, 67, North Section,
Emp. 10-29-28, Died 7-13-70
JOHN J. MAHON, 75, Claim,
Emp. 8-29-16, Died 7-16-70
HARRY D. McCARTHY, 78, North Avenue,
Emp. 3-3-23, Died 7-10-70
PAUL J. MINOQUE, 80, Internal Auditing,
Emp. 5-1-12, Died 7-5-70
MICHAEL MORAN, 82, Limits,
Emp. 9-25-17, Died 7-2-70
ROBERT MYERS, 79, West Section,
Emp. 12-16-10, Died 7-22-70
ELLEN NELSON, 70, North Section,
Emp. 7-9-46, Died 7-10-70
RUSSELL T. ODDO, 55, North Avenue,
Emp. 5-17-48, Died 7-11-70
JOSEPH O'TOOLE, 65, North Section,
Emp. 10-10-29, Died 7-13-70
EDWARD REID, 71, 77th Street,
Emp. 4-3-36, Died 7-3-70
GEORGE SANFRATELLO, 70, Const. & Maint.,
Emp. 7-3-41, Died 7-7-70
CHARLES SEEBOCK, 67, Kedzie,
Emp. 9-1-27, Died 7-30-70
WILLIAM G. WERMES, 69, Utility,
Emp. 2-12-44, Died 7-4-70

weeks in Pensacola, Florida. She says it was a beautiful vacation, but as always, too short...Agent LILLY WILLIS didn't go out of the city for her vacation, as her daughter, who lives in California, came here for the two weeks of Lilly's vacation. They were busy catching up on all the latest news within the family. Lilly was very happy that her daughter could come, as it was a very happy time... Your reporter and her husband and parents, having received special Congressional passes and invitations, spent the week of August 9 in Washington, D.C. We sat in on the House and Senate, visited the White House, the State Department, and the FBI. While there we also visited Arlington Cemetery, Mount Vernon, the National Cathedral, Georgetown, and Alexandria. It was a very rewarding trip and made one happy and proud to be an American. We also had as our guest Miss LIS JACOBSEN who is visiting our family from Denmark and will be here for six months.

- *Tina Henke*

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

LORRAINE BRAZZLE, some friends, and relatives flew to Ontario where they spent about four days. They went on tours which took them to places such as museums, Niagara Falls, where they went for a boat ride and Lorraine got wet, and they also saw the famous flowered clock. Another place of interest was seeing a vineyard and learning how wine is made. They had good weather and a good time, but the trip was much too short...WALLY OQUIST and his wife drove down to St. Louis for a week, staying with his daughter. He felt bad because he only got to go golfing once, but enjoyed baby-sitting with his granddaughter. They had a nice time even though the weather was hot and sticky...If you want to know about camping, just ask RAY TREZISE. He and his wife, DOLORES, and daughter, KATHY, recently enjoyed four weeks of camping in Wisconsin. The first two weeks they stayed at Devils lake and the remainder of the time was spent on the peninsula in Dorr County. It was a great vacation for relaxing and the weather was beautiful... JAMES R. TUCKER took his grandson, ADAM, to New Orleans for a week of fun. Adam loved swimming in the warm water in the pool, and immensely enjoyed riding the streetcars and trains. They went down on the Panama Limited and returned home on the City of New Orleans. It didn't take long and Mr. Tucker was off again. This time he and his friend, FRANK MATRE, a retired bus operator, drove to Vermillion, South Dakota, to visit a man, who, at the same time, came to Chicago to visit them. They went on to Isabel where they stayed on a large ranch for a few days. It was then on to Virginia City, Montana, Bannoch (a ghost town), several mining towns, Yellowstone, and Medicine Bow, Wyoming. They had good weather and a good time...Your reporter took her parents, FRANK and ROSE SZCZEPANEK, to Springstead, Wisconsin, for a week of fishing and relaxation. The weather was on the chilly side and the fishing was bad, but we still managed to have a real good time and enjoyed the beauty of the North... JOE VODVARKA's son, JOE, is a trombonist in the James B. Conant High school stage band in Hoffman Estates. The band recently participated in a contest held in Springfield, Illinois, and came home with the first place trophy. Congratulations!

(Transportation Instruction) -

JOHN McEVILLY and his wife went to Detroit, Michigan, for a reunion of the 96th Division of the U.S. Army. About 540 men along with their wives and families attended,

making this the best turnout they have ever had. They didn't get much rest as they were on the go all the time, but really enjoyed themselves. John even met a man whom he hadn't seen for 25 years.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

Welcome and good luck to GONZALO GARZA who recently transferred to our department from Beverly Station. ..JACK KLIMA vacationed in Wisconsin and had a good time when he took his grandchildren to Santa's Village...O. W. JOHNSON also vacationed in Wisconsin and enjoyed himself...S. KAMINSKI recently returned from his vacation well rested, which is most unusual for him...Our condolences are extended to the family of Pensioner WILLIAM WERMES who recently passed away...LEONARD GALLE and his wife spent their vacation in Missouri and Michigan. They had beautiful weather, relaxed, and enjoyed the trip. EDWARD SLAMP and his wife traveled to the Ozarks for their vacation. Even though the temperature was up to 105 degrees, Ed said they really enjoyed themselves. JAMES J. ROCHE, his wife, and four members of his family went to Connecticut for their vacation. They also went to West Point and then on to New York City, where the Amvets National Convention was being held. Jim, being a delegate from his post, took an active part in the convention. FRED WILSON, a delegate from Indiana, also attended the Amvet National Convention...We hope that RONALD MENDYK is feeling much better after spending several weeks at the West Side V. A. hospital. A speedy recovery is wished for FRANK HOLZER who recently underwent surgery and also for FRANK VAN GEENEN who is presently off sick.

- Colette Szczepanek

RAPID TRANSIT MAINTENANCE TERMINALS -

Congratulations to ARLENE PORCARO on her marriage to PETER BARKER July 18. Arlene and Peter, who met as classmates, are graduates of Northern Illinois university. Arlene is the daughter of Superintendent A. J. PORCARO, Rapid Transit Maintenance Terminals...Best wishes to JESSIE WILLIAMS, 61st Street, and MICHAEL COLEMAN, Forest Park, who took disability pensions on August 1. Hope they both enjoy years of health and happiness... Our condolences to the family of BEN NEALLY, 61st Street, who passed away on July 28. Ben had been with the company for 19 years...A visit with family and friends took DAN WITTENBERG, Congress, to Ireland. While there, Dan took in the sights on a tour of Europe...Another visitor to the Emerald Isle was PAT SODEN, Congress...The lakes of Northern Minnesota were the drawing card for the ALAN ZUBOR family vacation...Enjoying the simple pleasures of life are how J. LaBELLARTE, L. MONAGHAN, L. DAVENPORT, and H. YOUNG spent their vacations...The rugged country of the Ozarks was home away from home for ANTHONY CITRO, Forest Park, and his family who spent their vacation in the mountains...SHELDON RITA, Forest Park, and his wife took in a tour of Michigan...MIKE McGUINNESS, Forest Park, returned from his five-week vacation with tales of the Old Sod and Dublin...The call to sunny Florida was answered by CHUCK MYERS, Forest Park, and his family...City life and recreation were a source of pleasure to JOHN TRACY, Forest Park, and his family, and A. ROPA, Forest Park, and his family. Both spent their vacations around Chicago...Bugle calls at Arlington Park were sweet music to the ears of H. STAFFORD, Forest Park, who tried to win that big bundle for next year's vacation...A party, speeches, and a gift all in honor of H. WHITEHEAD were given to celebrate his retirement on July 31...The challenge of the Ozarks meant vacation time to MATT COYLE, Dan Ryan, and his family. ..An annual family reunion held on July 10, 11, and 12 brought QUINTUS BONDS, Dan Ryan, and his 45 relatives from across the country together...P. LOVELESS, Dan Ryan, and his family hung out the sign, "New York or bust", and started on their vacation...Lulling around in the summer sun and a good rest were had by T. FRIEND, J. SHANAHAN, T. BASKINS, R. SMITH, and G. NICHOLSON, Dan Ryan...Welcome to F. HOLTEN, repairman, and E. JOHNSON, car serviceman, to the Dan Ryan family...Back to work from a rich man's vacation is C. BISCH, 61st Street. ..Vacations to work around the house, enjoy a new car, or some lazy fishing were enjoyed by G. BARNES, J. BUFFORD, L. CARR, M. BRINSON, M. CONNEELY, E. HASKELL, T. LALLY, A. MOORE, A. LAURAS, H. HUGHES, T. PERTEE, W. LEWIS, H. DICKERSON, B. BROWN, A. CASPER, R. CURRAN, B. KOSICK, and S. SIGGERS, 61st Street. A trip east and a visit to New York meant an exciting time for J. NASH, 61st Street, and his family...J. MOLLOY, 61st Street, and his wife visited our neighbor to the north, Canada, for some fascinating sights...Country beauty and quiet were F. NEALY's, 61st Street, reason for visiting away from the city...Comparison stories are being told by H. LOOMIS, R. LAUDANSKI, and F. RAKSTIS who spent their vacations fishing in Wisconsin...Ball games, beaches, and lazy living were enjoyed by G. KLEIN, P. CZAJA, M. O'MALLEY, L. McKEE, S. GARITI, E. MIZEROCKI, H. FINLEY, R. JOHNSTON, J. CARRELO, and J. LOCKE, Wilson...M. BUCHANAN visited the twin cities of Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minnesota...Welcome to Car Serviceman A. MITCHELL and Repairman R. STOWELL to Howard.

- Ray Brzezek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Hello there! My, but the time really goes. Here's another month of news...DARLENE JANSEN, Purchasing, and her husband spent a lovely vacation driving in her new Toyota to Daytona Beach and Fort Lauderdale, Florida. On their way back they went to New Orleans. Darlene was really disappointed in New Orleans, but the fact that they had a good time in Florida made their vacation worthwhile. ..Pensioner MILDRED BONOMO paid us a visit. She had just returned from a three-week tour through Europe to such countries as Austria, France, Germany, Italy, and Switzerland. She added, "It's a good thing I speak Italian or I would have been lost." From the way she explained it, I'd say she was most impressed with Italy. Her closing comments were: "But give me the good U.S.A. I'll take it any day."..Sorry about the delay in reporting the vacation of Purchasing's ED THORNE. He and his wife spent a four-week vacation on a Caribbean cruise. They visited Port-Au-Prince, Haiti; Kingston, Jamaica; Nassau, Bahamas, and Mexico. Ed states that this was one of the most enjoyable vacations he and his wife have ever had, and judging from his lovely pictures and gorgeous tan, he wasn't just whistling Dixie...R. L. MANVILLE, superintendent of Purchasing, and his wife went to Signal Mountain, Tennessee, to visit his daughter and her family. While there, he assisted his son-in-law in the installation of the ductwork for an air-conditioning system. What a way to spend a vacation! However, it became more delightful

THIS HAPPY little miss is six-month old LAURA JEAN DALY, the daughter of Bus Repairman JAMES DALY, 69th Street Station, and the granddaughter of JOHN B. DALY, Claim Department. Her uncle, JOE DALY, is a bus repairman at Lawndale Station.

when he and his wife and family enjoyed shelling at Sanibel Island, located near St. Petersburg, Florida, while visiting with his mother...The family of ED TOBIN, Purchasing Department, recently bought a Rhodesian ridgerunner, which is an unusual breed of dog. Her name is Ginger. Ed's two little girls are really enjoying themselves chasing Ginger all over the neighborhood. Why, Ed? Doesn't she like her home?..G. S. GRAYBIEL, superintendent of Purchasing, Specifications and Stores, and his family went to a cottage at Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin, which they had rented. He and his family spent the two weeks fishing, horseback riding, and swimming. They even boated to the church they attended. They also traveled to Iron Mountain, Michigan, and Ladysmith, Wisconsin. One couldn't ask for better weather--only a half day of rain. Mr. Graybiel also stated that he drove a truck while picking up a 200-pound purebred calf for a friend. He and his friend, who owns a fur farm, "managed" to get the calf into the trailer. He states only the calf was scared, but I think I'd be a little nervous, myself...On July 11, a get-together was attended at Brezina Woods, located at 22nd and LaGrange road. Employes attending were: Mr. HARTY and his family, CHESTER SKORA and his wife, JOHN GILL and his family, MARY BETH MURRAY, MARYANN WALLACE, formerly of Stores, CECELIA TRUCCO, MARTY FLANAGAN, ROD DAUGHERTY and his family, and MARY RACZON. MARY ELLEN RUSS, Research & Planning, also attended. A very good time was had by all. As a matter of fact, it was so successful that we are planning one for next year...ROD DAUGHERTY, Specifications Department, visited friends and relatives in Columbus, Ohio, on his two-week vacation. While there, he swam with his children every single day, so it seems the weather was very nice. He returned by way of Detroit, Michigan, so his children could view Greenfield Village and the Ford Museum...Stores Department, Skokie, would like to welcome a new employe to their working force, PATRICK COLLINS. This young man came here recently from Ireland, and we're proud to have him join our team. Welcome, Patrick...We're also proud to announce that PAUL JANKOWSKI, Stores Department, Skokie, has been named "Suggester of the Month." This is a very honorable title, and Paul is very deserving of it. Congratulations, Paul...FRED LOITZ, Stores Department, General Office, spent part of his vacation showing the Windy City to his daughter and grandchildren. He showed them the Art Institute, Field Museum, and Planetarium, then viewed Lake Michigan while taking a boat ride and watched the Cubs slaughter Atlanta in Wrigley Field 11 to 2. They also took a trip to Indianapolis, where they had the pleasure of touring the Indianapolis 500 Speedway on a mini-bus (was it CTA's?). The highlights of Fred's tour was when they dined and viewed a puppet show at the Kungsholm. Fred should be a tour guide, what with all he showed them...We would also like to welcome to the Stores Department a young lady named DENISE PATHEIGER, whose father, FRED PATHEIGER, is with the Transportation Department. Denise's cousin, RENIE NORKIEWICZ, formerly worked with the CTA in the Insurance Department. We welcome you, Denise...MARY LARKIN's last day with the Stores Department was July 24, and many surprise gifts were presented to her on that day. Mary is due to have a visit from the stork in the near future. Hope it's a boy--and a girl--and a boy...We understand that DON BUDOFF and ALFRED JACKSON, both of Storeroom 48, had honey-do vacations (Honey, do this; Honey, do that)...So long, for now!

- Cathy Raschick & John Gill

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

JAKE SUMNER was married to JANICE SALLEN on June 20 in Seattle, Washington, and they are now residing in Westchester...CHARLIE KEELER, traffic clerk, became a grandfather on two consecutive days when his daughter gave birth to ELIZABETH SUSAN BAXTER on May 31, and his daughter-in-law gave birth to KELLY ANNE on June 1. ..RICHARD and ROSALIE GOLDSTEIN became grandparents of twins, JASON and RACHEL, born in Wellington, New Zealand, to their son, RAY, and his wife, CORAL. Ray is a lecturer in political science at Victoria university in Wellington...Employes of the Schedule Department have been experiencing many interesting vacations. GEORGE HANUS and his wife flew to Virginia to visit with his son and family and see their new granddaughter. RUTH HAVLIK, her mother, and sister, MARIE, drove to Dorr County in Wisconsin for a week's vacation. They took in many of the sights including Washington Island...WILLIAM HILL, the son of ED HILL, was married to CORINNE GASPARI on May 23 at St. Mary of Celle church in Berwyn. Congratulations to the happy couple...E. WROBEL spent two weeks fishing in Canada. Hope you got some big fish...BEN ALSTON drove up to Minnesota to visit with his in-laws and take in some fishing...PAT LENIHAN and his wife toured New England, including New York City...C. KEELER and his wife flew to California and visited with friends. They also enjoyed Disneyland...BOB LaVOIE and his wife and two children drove down to Florida...GEORGE JOHANNES and his wife drove to Minnesota to do some fishing... JOHN URBAN and his wife flew to Mexico and to El Paso, Texas, to visit with his daughter and grandchildren...W. P. DEVEREUX is spending some time at his summer cottage. ..ED REILLY finished many chores around the house during his vacation...WALTER THOMAS and his wife flew to Portland, Oregon, and then drove to San Francisco. PAUL THOMAS, their son, was married to PATRICIA STRICKLER in Lindenhurst, Illinois, with a reception at home there. Shortly thereafter, Walter and his wife flew to Greeley, Colorado, to see their daughter, MARILYN, graduate from Northern Colorado university. She and her husband will be teaching in Englewood, Colorado...HAROLD HIRSCH and his family spent two weeks in August at his mother-in-law's Michigan City, Indiana, beach cottage. Every day was practically a perfect beach day...We welcome DOROTHY ETSCHEID, typist, to the Schedule Department from the Insurance Department.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

The first annual Skokie Shops Picnic was held on sort of a damp day June 20, yet we had a large turnout of brave people. The dark clouds of the day didn't mean much when our clown, KEN BLOCKER, brought sunny smiles to the faces of the children as they pranced along with him. Ken also had a sunny smile on his face when he found out that he was the winner of the grand prize, a Zenith 16-inch TV set, one of over 60 different prizes given away that day. BOB BINNIE, the picnic chairman, didn't hear half of the nice comments people had about the music, games, prizes, refreshments, pony rides, and even the location of our first attempt at a picnic. These nice comments came, not only because of the planning and work of Bob and the committee, but because of the help of many non-committee members who helped run the games, serve refreshments, greet families, and just plain give of themselves in many ways. To all who helped make the picnic what it was, we'd like to give a big "THANK YOU", we couldn't have done it without your help. Many of our former co-workers, now on pension, were at the picnic and it sure was nice to see all of them. Our former superintendent, L. H. REICHARD, along with a few others, wrote in to comment on the picnic. To those of you who couldn't make it this year we hope that you will be able to come to the second annual picnic which we hope will be even bigger and better. Once again, a big "thank you" to everyone who helped out...LEON KAJPUST, electrical worker, is sporting a new 1970 Chevrolet four door sedan with air conditioning...Retired Electrical Worker CLEM HAMMERSCHMITT was at Skokie Shops for a chat with his former fellow workers. Clem is now living in Florida...Your reporter, EVERETT ENGLAND, was in Oakland, California, on vacation and had a nice telephone conversation with JOHN HIGGINS who is with the Bay Area Rapid Transit District. John sends best wishes to all... DAVID GURWICH, retired material clerk, returned to Skokie Shops to say hello to all his friends. Dave is looking great...Shopman II GENE SILICONI stopped in for his paycheck after traveling over 7,000 miles touring the western states...DAVID GUERECA, shopman II, and his family are enjoying another vacation down in Mexico... Electrical Worker Apprentice DANNY O'BRIEN is sporting an M.G. sports car. Looks nice, Danny...Please send in some news, fellows.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

Well here we are back to work from our vacation. This summer, hubby ROLAND and myself vacationed in New Orleans and we had a ball. We ate in the fancy French restaurants in the French Quarter--Brennans, The Court of the Two Sisters, and others. Oh, that French cooking with wine; hello Alka Seltzer! We toured the French Quarter and the Dixieland jazz joints and had the famous coffee and doughnuts in the French Market. It was a super vacation. Now back to all the news...First of all, one of your long-standing bachelors bit the dust when Yard Foreman THURMAN JACKSON and ELLEN MARION BUSH were married on July 11 at the Greater Bethesda church, 53rd and Michigan, and a big reception was held afterwards in the church. The happy couple flew to Acapulco for their honeymoon. A bushel of happiness is wished the newlyweds. ..Congratulations and much success to Motorman CLARENCE LEE who was promoted to supervisor on July 12... Conductor LEONARD SUCECH took a far away vacation. He drove to Nova Scotia with his car and trailer and says he never saw such beautiful scenery as in Cape Breton along the ocean...Ashland Avenue is really going to town. As you know they won the Interstation Safety Contest award for the first quarter of 1970, and now they have won the second quarter award. They were presented with a plaque by Mr. G. A. RILEY, superintendent of operating stations, in August. Free rolls and coffee were served, movies were shown, and several gift certificates were given out. We're all proud of our South Section...Work Train Motorman DOMINIC "Mickey" CESARE and his wife, ROSE, and their son vacationed in Miami Beach for two weeks where they enjoyed the sandy beaches, deep sea fishing, and just loafing...We are sorry that this news item is so late, but we want to offer our congratulations to Motorman FRED GRONEMEYER and his wife on the marriage of their son, RICHARD, to SHARON TRACEY of Deerfield on June 20. The reception was held at the Holiday Inn at Highland Park. The happy couple honeymooned in the Bahamas...We were unhappy to hear that Motorman ALBERT HILL resigned recently. He had been employed 19 years and everyone hated to see him go. Good luck, Al, on your new venture... Retired Assignment Agent MARGARET SHERHART passed away recently and our sincere condolences go out to her family...Congratulations and the best of luck to Collector GEORGE DeYOUNG who was promoted to chief collector on July 26...We were shocked to hear that former president of Division 308 JOHN BURNS was struck by an auto recently and fractured his knee and ankle. He is doing fine and hopes to have the cast removed the first part of September. He wishes to thank everyone for all the calls and cards he has received and all the kindnesses everyone has shown him. One day he had some pensioners visit him: Retired Conductor JOSEPH MASCOLINO, Retired Switchman FRITZ McDOLE, and Retired Towerman CHARLES RUMMELL who was in town from his home in California. John says they really cheered him up. Here's hoping you'll be back to work real soon, John...Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Conductor ROBERT NEALY whose brother, BEN NEALY of the Shops Department, passed away, and to Retired Clerk JOHN MORAN whose beloved daughter-in-law passed away recently...Motorman MOSES ASHLEY vacationed in New York City this summer where he took in all the sights of the big city...Much wedded bliss is wished Agent SHIRLEY (Ballard) GREEN who was married recently...Motorman PATRICK MORAN and his wife drove all through the New England area this summer, and had a good vacation... The CTA Rapid Transit softball team, sponsored by Division 308, has just completed a fine season winning second place in the Central Division of the Grant Park softball league with a record of 11 wins and 3 losses. Isn't that wonderful! The team also did good in the City-Wide Invitational Tournament with 2 wins of the 3 games played. The team was managed and coached by South Section Motorman JOSEPH RAYBURN and North Section Clerk ERVIN HARMON. On the team were such outstanding players as: JOHN LEWIS, SID GOODMAN, FREDDIE THOMPSON, A. LUMPKIN, HAROLD DeCUIR, ELWOOD FLOWERS, JODIE RAND, MICHAEL LEWIS, ROBERT JAMES, and A. NANCE. Voted the team's most valuable player was South Section Switchman JOHN HINTON. Also winning honorable mentions were South Section Motormen CLEOPHUS PARKER and EDWARD WALLACE. Our heartiest congratulations to each and every member of the team. All your co-workers, the CTA, and Division 308 are proud of you...Heard that former North Section Part-time Agent TED BRENNER (who worked quite often on the South Section) is planning to wed Miss PADRIEG JOHN on October 31 in New York. Ted

is to receive his masters degree this fall in transportation. Good luck to the happy pair...Received a card from Retired Conductor HARRY ANTONION, who was up in Wisconsin recently visiting his daughter, and he says "Hello" to everyone... The North Section supervisors gave a retirement party on August 15 at Petricca's restaurant on the North Side for District Superintendent THOMAS (Terry) McGOVERN who went on pension July 1 and North Section Station Superintendent KEN MANAUGH who went on pension September 1. Including their wives and families, about 150 people attended and it was a pleasure to be amongst those honoring two of the finest gentlemen that anyone could know. All of us on the rapid transit are going to miss these fine men. It was a wonderful get-together and dinner, and a token of remembrance was presented to both men. Master of ceremonies was Instructor ART RABEN who did a marvelous job, and entertainment was provided by a combo along with the great singing voices of North Section Clerk ORLANDO MENICUCCI, Superintendent of Agents and Janitors PAT HALLAHAN, and former Division 308 President JOHN BURNS. There was also dancing. Between the two guests of honor they have 88 years of service. A long, happy, and healthy life is wished both Terry McGovern and Ken Manaugh... Division 308 President LEONARD BEATTY and his wife, Agent MILLYE, and Agent VENETIA HELM and her husband, RAY, who works at Beverly Depot, attended the Division 241 golf tournament at St. Andrews Country Club. They had a nice dinner, and Venetia won a door prize of an ice bucket and Ray won a $5 gift certificate, while Leonard and Millye won golf balls. ..Relief District Superintendent VERN BURGESS was telling us about becoming a grandpa for the fourth time in June. Also, the Burgesses vacationed in Yellowstone National Park and said the scenery was magnificent.

- Verna Hartney

SOUTH SHOPS -

YOLENNE CLAUDE, typist I, left CTA on August 6 to await a blessed event for the third time...A warm welcome is extended to SUE MAJOR to the Shops & Equipment Department. Sue is a clerk-steno with the Surface Division... Our deepest sympathy is extended to Superintendent of Surface Shops JOSEPH BOLECH and his family upon the death of his mother...EARL LARSON and his family spent one lovely week in Canadian Kiswich, which is located north of Toronto...EDDIE EVANS and his family spent two weeks in St. Petersburg, Florida...Congratulations to JOE KISELUS on his recent appointment as senior technical service technician, Electrical Section, and CHARLIE SHREEVE who was appointed senior technical services technician, Mechanical Section, both of the Technical Services Division.

- Elaine Stewart & Bob Brown

69TH STREET -

Now that the credit union office is completely renovated, our janitors are threatening to strike. So, my friends, if there is anyone wishing to donate a spare set of drapes, a color TV, or a good set of girly magazines to the janitor's clubroom, please see RAY, ZIGGY, or BOB...Did you know that the son of Janitor WODARCZYK was graduated from Illinois Institute of Technology and has only one more year at Harvard for his doctorate? He is at the head of his class and is majoring in chemistry...In the hospital at this time are: BILL MARTIN with a heart attack, little JOZA has an infection in his foot, and GENE HOWE with a serious operation on both knees. We are all pulling for you fellows, so hurry and get well... ELEANOR and MICKEY YOUNG celebrated 30 years of marital bliss on August 10. Then after celebrating Eleanor's birthday and staying up past midnight dining and dancing, Mickey reported to work only to find out that it was his 29th anniversary with the company and was sent home...A. J. VANDERBURG and his wife flew to Denver where they met some friends and will drive back with them. Did the wife get to use that fly rod, Tony? ..ARTHUR JOE also drove to Denver to visit his mother... C. HOLLAND and his wife and daughter are planning to drive to California...C. JONES plans to enjoy his vacation at home...A. BRADFORD said he was going to visit all the local places and find out why they are putting up that new wall by the cemetery. He said those that were in there couldn't get out, and those that were out don't want to get in...DAKE worked on his vacation building his retirement home in Wisconsin...MIKE PACHOLIK drove 3,600 miles and never left Illinois...ARTHUR and MARGARET PORTER went west to check the bus lines in Los Angeles and San Diego. He sent a nice card from Tijuana, Mexico...Back from a tour of Mexico City and Acapulco is GEORGE SANDERS. He has made plans for a trip to Norway in January to ski. Amsterdam, Stockholm, and Copenhagen are some of the places he will visit. In February, he intends to visit France and ski in the French Alps...JOHN (69th Street Kid) GAMPERL worked around his home on his vacation...If you missed TOM STEPP, you will find him working for the Claim Department in the Mart...Since SWANSON returned from his position in the Mart, I haven't been able to get any news from the instruction force. Don't be afraid, Swanny is really a good old sport...A round of thanks for the free coffee in August. The reason being the five more men named as "employes of the year." So, to O. STAMPLEY, W. WALTERS, M. DAVIS, C. DAVIDSON, and C. HAYNES, many thanks, and we are proud of you..."Sarge" just can't explain what happened to our softball team, but says to watch them go next year. All of us at 69th Street are proud of you, fellows, and think you are tops...JIMMY AHERN of the Repair Department reports that Pensioner JOHNNY BERNASKY has passed away. John worked for the Chicago Surface Lines and CTA for 38 years...JOHN GORMAN, a former CTA policeman, and PETE RODANIS, a bus serviceman, also passed on. Our deepest sympathy to their families and loved ones...Among the pensioners who paid us a visit were: OLLIE HANSON, JOHN McMAHON, TONY (Molotov) KAZAITIS, and JOE MARTINKUS. They all looked well and happy. Keep in touch, fellows, and may all of the pensioners have many years of health and happiness. ..JOE GAMEN, retired foreman, came up from Florida and is doing fine on his retirement...Day Foreman DANNY CLARK and Assistant Day Foreman JOHNNY GRANT have retired and they both are planning to go to Ireland for awhile. May they and their families enjoy many years of health and happiness...FRANK ANDREK and FRANK BOYD Jr. went to California on their vacations. Also on vacations at this time are: JIM CASEY, EDDIE CLEARY, STEVE MURRAY, TED NIEZABITOUSKI, JIMMY LEE, MIKE MORAN, MIKE KEELER, and last but not least, EDDIE MURRAY. We hope they all have a lot of fun and rest and come back to us safe and sound...Let's try to keep the seats and steering wheels clean so the operators can look real sharp. God bless all of you.

- Arthur P. Buesing

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WASHINGTON DEVELOPMENT

OUR COVER: President Nixon's signing of the Urban Mass Transportation Assistance Act of 1970 was witnessed by John A. Volpe, U. S. secretary of transportation, and George L. DeMent, CTA Transit Board chairman, in the Cabinet Room of the White House.

WASHINGTON, D.C. October 15—At President Nixon's invitation CTA Board Chairman George L. DeMent attended ceremonies in the Cabinet Room of the White House this morning when President Nixon signed the Urban Mass Transportation Assistance Act of 1970.

Before signing the bill, President Nixon said, "This bill represents one of the landmark pieces of legislation of the 91st Congress, and provides for a very substantial financial commitment by the federal government to improve urban communities." He noted that in some cities it takes longer to get downtown from the airport than it does to fly hundreds of miles to the city.

Mr. DeMent thanked the president for his invitation and expressed his appreciation for the legislation on behalf of the entire transit industry. He said, "We now have sufficient means to make solid progress against the transportation problems of the cities. And that is exactly what we are going to do. This bill represents the only alternative to chaos in our metropolitan areas."

The new legislation represents the culmination of years of work in Washington by national transit interests. Mr. DeMent and Mayor Daley testified at committee hearings in both the Senate and House in favor of the bill.

One major improvement in the new legislation is that the U.S. Department of Transportation can now commit 3.1 billion dollars for transit projects five years in advance. Formerly the small amount of funds available to transit (175 million dollars in the 1969–70 fiscal year) was subject to year-to-year appropriations by Congress. The new legislation bypasses the appropriations committees and gives cities and local transit agencies the assurance that they can begin transit planning several years in advance with the knowledge that the federal government will provide two-thirds of the net project cost.

As far as Chicago is concerned, the bill assures the continuation of funds to finance the 600 million dollar downtown subway system with 400 million dollars as the federal two-thirds share. (The local share was approved by the voters in a referendum earlier in 1970.) It also will permit transit agencies such as CTA to apply for federal funds for two-thirds of the cost of purchasing new equipment and modernizing existing facilities. At the present time, however, CTA has no source for obtaining the one-third matching funds needed for this purpose.

Carlos C. Villarreal, urban mass transportation administrator of the U.S. Department of Transportation, in a recent news conference in Chicago established these priorities for the distribution of funds:

1. To preserve existing systems.
2. To improve existing systems.
3. To extend the improved systems.
4. For all new systems.

"Secretary of Transportation (John A.) Volpe and I agree that it is most important to keep the existing systems operating," Villarreal said.

Another aspect of the bill that is important to CTA is contained in Section 8. This section authorizes the secretary of transportation to conduct a study of the feasibility of providing federal assistance to help defray the operating costs of mass transportation companies in urban areas and to report his findings to the Congress within one year.

However, two additional bills for this purpose (S. 676 and S. 3499) have already passed in the Senate and are now pending in the House. These two bills were attached by their sponsors in the Senate to the 1970 Housing bill which had previously cleared the House of Representatives. They are now in Senate-House conference. Prognosis: favorable.

Operating Employes Heading for Safest Year in CTA History

IN 1964 CTA operating employes set an all-time low in traffic and passenger accidents--a record which they have been unable to beat or even tie in any other year in CTA history. Now, according to CTA General Manager Thomas B. O'Connor, there is an excellent chance of setting a new all-time yearly low in 1970. At the end of September, there were 374 fewer traffic and passenger accidents than in the corresponding period of 1964.

Commenting on the record set to date Mr. O'Connor said, "Operating employes and the instruction force have set their sights high this year and are achieving results beyond comparison. CTA's low accident frequency rate has long been a goal for others in the transit industry, and I know that all employes share the pride which I have for our past records. With this new record within our grasp, all operating employes must strive during the remaining months of the year to assure the attainment of a new low."

G. Pellicore, E. Hendrickson Join Retirement Ranks

BRINGING TO a close their lengthy transit careers were two CTAers who started with the former Chicago Surface Lines and retired as of October 1. With more than 50 years of service, George Pellicore retired as chief accountant, and with exactly 40 years of service, Edward Hendrickson retired as superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals.

Mr. Pellicore joined the Surface Lines as a bookkeeper in the General Accounting Department on January 5, 1920. Serving in that department for both CSL and CTA, he was named chief accountant on January 25, 1951. In the picture at the left, Mr. Pellicore is shown at his retirement dinner receiving congratulations from Manager of Finance P. J. Meinardi.

Mr. Hendrickson entered the service of the CSL Schedule Department as a traffic checker on September 29, 1930. He subsequently became a clerk at Transportation Department stations in 1932, a Shops and Equipment Department inspector in 1945, and chief inspector in 1946. Mr. Hendrickson was appointed general foreman of rapid transit terminal shops in 1952 and superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals as of July 1, 1965. In the photograph above taken at his retirement dinner, Mr. Hendrickson is accepting a gift from Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.

2 CTAers Cited as Heroes of 'L'-Auto Collision

IN LETTERS of commendation from General Manager T. B. O'Connor, two CTA employes were lauded for actions which probably saved the lives of five members of a Cicero family. Named in the commendations were Acting Congress-Douglas Station Superintendent Kenneth L. Brown and West Section Trainman Ronald Cosley.

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The incident which resulted in their being commended occured at 3:03 p.m. on Sunday, October 11. Motorman Cosley's train was departing eastbound from the Cicero-Berwyn terminal on the Douglas-Milwaukee rapid transit route when an automobile went around the lowered crossing gates and into the path of the train. Despite his quick response to the emergency and the application of brakes, the train struck the automobile and ruptured the gas tank, setting the car aflame within moments.

Superintendent Brown was a witness to the incident as he arrived by automobile at the terminal. Alerted by the screams of the three children within the car, he braved the flames to pull them and their unconscious parents out onto the tracks. All five suffered injuries and the driver was reported in serious condition with multiple injuries at MacNeal Memorial hospital in Berwyn.

Ten Named to New Positions

H. G. Doering

APPOINTED TO new positions during September and October were ten employes in these five CTA departments: rapid transit shops, surface garages, rapid transit technical services, Claim, and General Accounting.

Appointed to the post of superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals effective October 1 was H. G. Doering. Mr. Doering, who succeeded the retiring superintendent, E. R. Hendrickson, has served as assistant to the superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals since July, 1965.

Taking the position of assistant to the superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals on October 1 was H. G. Williams. Both appointments were made by Superintendent of Shops and Equipment G. J. Clark and approved by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.

In an appointment effective October 1 T. P. Lyons was named superintendent of technical services, rapid transit division, by Chief Equipment Engineer C. W. Ricker Jr. The appointment was approved by C. E. Keiser, operating manager.

In appointments affecting Shops and Equipment Department Surface Division Garage personnel, the following promotions became effective October 11: William Joseph became day assistant foreman of 77th Street Garage, Joseph Atkins became p.m. foreman of Keeler Garage, and Daniel S. Chorak became relief foreman of 52nd Street Garage. The appointments were made by Superintendent of Garages J. W. Dain and approved by Superintendent of Surface System Shops & Garages J. J. Repplinger and G. J. Clark, superintendent of shops and equipment.

In appointments affecting Claim Department personnel effective September 17, H. E. Boness was named assistant superintendent, adjusting, and W. E. Lembachner became assistant superintendent, investigations. The bulletin announcing their appointments was signed by Superintendent of Investigations and Claims M. J. McDermott and approved by Manager of Finance P. J. Meinardi.

Two appointments affecting General Accounting personnel include the naming of George Triunfol as chief accountant and Bernard P. Kane as senior accountant. Their appointments were made by General Accountant A. J. Fitzsimons and approved by P. J. Meinardi, manager of finance.

Suggestion Award Winners Announced

CHECKS FOR $25.00 were recently presented by the Suggestion Committee to each of 16 CTA employes for their participation in the Suggestion Plan.

Receiving cash awards for their adopted ideas were four employes including Neil J. Cotter and Willard Larsen, both of Shops and Equipment-South Shops; Robert R. Booth, Electrical-Blue Island, and Doris Yost, Accounting.

Receiving checks for submitting their second adoptable suggestion within a year were the following ten employes: General Office—Regina Daren, Medical; Harold J. Rowbottom, Traffic Planning; Walter J. Thomas, Schedule-Traffic, and Arlene Zittman, Public Information. Stores—David E. Murry, South Shops, and Paul C. Jankowski and James Zazula, both of Skokie Shops. Transportation-Surface—Charles DeCook, North Park, and Edward Federowicz, Limits. Transportation-Rapid Transit—James R. Schumpp, North Section.

Receiving checks as supplemental awards for ideas accepted one year ago were William Glassner, Electrical-Blue Island, and Patrick J. Nally, S&E-South Shops. A supplemental award in the amount of $20.00 was also presented to Joseph Siwek, S&E-South Shops.

For submitting suggestions which were adopted by the Committee, each of the following 29 employes were given their choice of either a $7.00 gift certificate or a Zippo lighter/tape rule set: Shops and Equipment—Delord Hatcher, Frank G. Klein, Glenn A. Ross, William P. Rafferty, Joseph Siwek, and Raymond J. Spatzek, all of South Shops; Dorsey J. Garner, 52nd Street Garage; Ernest E. Guedel Jr., Kedzie Garage; Harold Johnson, 77th Street Garage, and William J. Kincaid, Forest Park Terminal Shop. General Office—George Bell, Reproduction; Regina Daren, Medical; Sandra Matuszewski, Specifications; Eileen Neurauter, Public Information, and Harold J. Rowbottom, Traffic Planning. Transportation-Rapid Transit—Edward M. Adams and Betty Rice, both of West Section; Erol T. Murphy and Harold Walborn, North Section, and James H. Fichter, South Section. Transportation-Surface—Edward Federowicz, Limits; William F. Lane, Forest Glen; Marc Ringel, North Park, and James D. Rosas, Archer. Stores—John Gill and Kathleen McAteer, both of General Office, and Paul C. Jankowski, Skokie Shops. Engineering—John J. Heffernan, West Shops. Utility—Walter Wangero.

Reporters Feted at Transit News Dinner

AS GUESTS of CTA management, 32 present and retired reporters gathered at the annual CTA Transit News dinner in the M&M Club on September 18. The scribes represent departments and locations throughout CTA's vast system and their columns appear monthly on the pages of Transit News.

Addressing the group before the dinner was Transit Board Chairman G. L. DeMent. A regular reader of the Inside News columns, Mr. DeMent complimented the reporters on their ability to hunt for, assemble, and present news in an interesting manner.

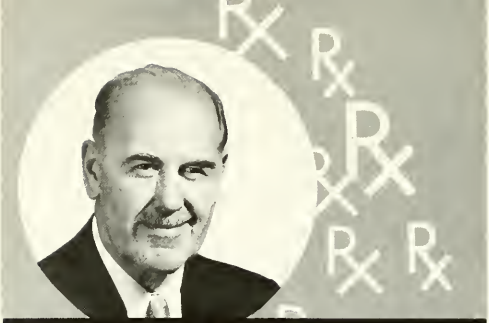
The vital communications role played by the reporters was expounded by Superintendent of Public and Employe Relations F. C. Knautz. Mr. Knautz, under whose direction the Transit News is produced, expressed his pleasure at seeing the regularity with which each of the columns appears, and especially paid tribute to the two reporters who have contributed copy for the most consecutive months--Dr. George H. Irwin, whose Medically Speaking column has appeared monthly since November, 1955, and Everett E. England, whose Skokie Shops column has been a regular since March, 1962.

Although the names of reporters appear monthly as signatures to their columns, it's not very often that their pictures appear in Transit News. The dinner served as an opportunity to take a group photograph of the reporters who attended, and for the benefit of our readers we list their names and the departments and locations they represent:

Seated, from left--Terri Kramer, Claim; Mary Gallon, Engineering-West Shops; Grace Mounts, Milwaukee, Lake & Douglas; Mary Wixted, Loop; Regina Daren, General Office; Jeanne Fitzgerald, General Accounting; Ruth Kaminski, Claim, and Elaine Stewart, South Shops.

Standing, from left—Ray Brzeczek, Rapid Transit Maintenance Terminals; Bill Rehder, Electrical-Blue Island; Clara Lawrence, Payroll Accounting; R. S. Benson, Limits; Ray Graham, Kedzie; Colette Szczepanek, Operations; Everett E. England, Skokie Shops; Verna Hartney, South Section; Bill Miedema, North Avenue; Dr. George H. Irwin; Mildred Doyle, Loop; Eileen Neurauter, General Office; Kay Batina, Schedule & Traffic; Kay McAlister, Electrical-General Office; Art Buesing, 69th Street; Ernest Carter, Keeler; John Gill, Purchasing, Specifications and Stores; James Marshall, Lawndale; Cathy Raschick, Purchasing, Specifications and Stores; Amos Foster, Beverly, and Elcosie Gresham, 77th Street.

In the picture at left, Mr. DeMent is with four retired reporters who attended the dinner. They are, from left, Dr. Irwin, Helen Pallister, Mr. DeMent, Mable Potthast, and Gil Andrews. Although Dr. Irwin has retired, he will continue to write his column for Transit News. Mrs. Pallister formerly wrote the Logan, Lake & Douglas column, Miss Potthast represented General Accounting, and Mr. Andrews provided the Electrical Department news.



Medically Speaking

by Dr. George H. Irwin

"THE PILL" has been a subject of much interest and discussion in recent years. For this reason, an article in Transit News seems appropriate.

Several kinds of oral contraceptives are now available, and physicians can prescribe the one they think will be best for an individual's needs. All types of these pills contain female sex hormones and are designed to prevent the release of an egg from the woman's ovaries during the cycle in which the pills are taken. They are practically completely effective in preventing pregnancy.

The pill is the most effective of all contraceptives when and if the directions for its use are followed and the user is careful not to skip doses.

Oral contraceptives, like all other potent drugs may have some side effects. Fortunately, serious reactions are rare. Periodic examinations, as recommended by your physician, are important to detect early changes which may prevent serious complications. One should report any special problems to their doctor.

A few women have unpleasant side effects which are not dangerous and are not likely to damage their health. Some of these side effects are similar to those in early pregnancy and are often only temporary. The breasts may feel tender, nausea and vomiting may occur, or you may gain or lose weight. Sometimes a spotty darkening of the skin, especially the face, is noted and may persist. Irregular bleeding occasionally occurs and this should be reported to your doctor. Levels of the blood sugar and fatty substances may be elevated. The duration of these changes is now under study.

Other reactions, although not proven to be caused by the pill, are occasionally reported: nervousness, headaches, dizziness, changes in body hair, increase or decrease in sex drive, or appetite changes.

After a woman stops using the pill, there may be a delay before being able to become pregnant. After childbirth the doctor should be consulted before starting the pill again. This is especially true if a mother plans to nurse the baby, because the pill can change the milk supply.

Blood clots occasionally form in the vessels of the legs and pelvis of apparently healthy people even though they are not on the pill. These clots sometimes break loose causing serious trouble, especially if they lodge in the lungs, the brain, or vital organs.

If has been estimated that about one woman in 2,000 on the pill develops blood clotting disease serious enough to require hospitalization. Blood clots in women over 34 are three times more likely to develop than in younger women, even though they are not on the pill. For the above reasons, it is recommended that any woman who has previously had any leg trouble from clots or vein disease, should not use the pill.

If you miss one menstrual period and are following your dose schedule, you should continue taking the pill as directed. If you miss two periods, discontinue the pill and see your doctor. There is no proof at this time that the pill can cause cancer in the human.

If you have or have had any special problems, such as migraine, mental depression, fibroids of the uterus, heart or kidney disease, asthma, high blood pressure, diabetes, or epilepsy, report this to your doctor before starting the pill--he may want special tests before he decides whether you should take the pill.

If you are already on the pill and develop a skin rash, leg swelling, yellowing of the skin or eyes, or mental depression, stop immediately and report it to your doctor.

There are some women, in addition to those having clotting problems, who should not use oral contraceptives. Those include women who have cancer of the breast or the womb, serious liver trouble, or undiagnosed vaginal bleeding. It is comforting for these women to know that their doctor can recommend other methods of birth control.

Oral contraceptives, when taken as directed are drugs of extraordinary effectiveness. As with other medicines, side effects are possible. As stated before, the most serious problems are relatively rare and the majority of women who would like to use the pill can do so safely and effectively.

The purpose of this article is simply to present the current information about the pill. To use it or not to use it is up to the individual woman, family, and the attending doctor.

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (General) -

OLIVE BATTERSBY, former payroll supervisor who retired some time ago, was in the office recently. She looked fine and is thoroughly enjoying her retirement...JEANNE FITZGERALD had a very enjoyable first air flight to Billings, Montana, arriving at Logan field in the big sky country with the temperature at 99 degrees. A reunion of three sisters and a brother-in-law was a highlight. Another day they drove to Red Lodge, Montana (a ski town in the winter), went up the Beartooth mountains to a height of 9,190 feet and looked down the Rock Creek canyon. Montana Day was being celebrated in the town, it being the Festival of the Nations week. They drove to the town of White Sulphur Springs another day passing many mountains with names like, the Crazies, the Little Belts, the Big Belts, and many other names all related to the Rockies. Visiting a castle, now a museum, in White Sulphur Springs was another highlight. All in all, the vacation was wonderful...REBECCA WILSON enjoyed her vacation around the Chicago area with her husband and three boys...H. E. TANNHAUSER, former revenue accountant who retired several years ago, came in the office to visit on September 14. He looks good and is enjoying his retirement... MARTHA NEFFAS had a very interesting vacation--two weeks in Japan and one week in Hawaii...VIRGINIA HARRER and her daughter, ALEXA, student ticket agent, and LYNN, Employment, spent their vacation aboard the luxury cruise ship S.S. Oceanic with a stopover at Nassau. Mama Gabor and her famous daughters could not upset the economy of Nassau any more than Mama Harrer and company. No perfume or jewelry shop was spared from this invasion. If you notice a blank stare at times please be patient. A week of being spoiled by over-attention and pampered by continental services is very difficult to forget. Oh before we forget, Virginia's husband, CHARLES, was with them (some one had to pay the bills and handle the luggage)...The Transit News dinner was held at the M&M Club on September 18. It was a very nice affair and BOB HEINLEIN and his staff should be commended for their good work in making this evening a perfect one. The gift we received of a beautiful travel clock will certainly come in handy and is appreciated.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

(Payroll) -

JOANNE STASI and her husband, FRANK, had a most interesting motor trip to New Orleans, Louisiana. They also went to Florida where they enjoyed Silver Springs, the Mermaid Show at Weeki Wachee, Busch Gardens in Tampa, and a ride on the Monorail there. The Wax Museum in St. Petersburg was eerie but interesting. The most exciting event was the Safari in West Palm Beach where visitors can drive right through many acres of forest and jungle in which wild animals live. (No parking or leaving the car permitted, of course.) One visitor related an amusing tale of a lion sitting in the path of a vehicle and when the driver blew the horn to make him move, he, instead, approached the car and bit the tire. Lucky for this unfortunate visitor that there were service cars and guards armed with tranquilizer rifles to help him...JOSEPHINE O'KRAY and her husband, GEORGE, spent their vacation enjoying the rustic beauty of the Wisconsin Dells...ROSEMARY KENNY was too busy getting settled in her new apartment on Outer Drive East, she couldn't get away for this vacation. But that is exciting in itself, and the view from her apartment is magnificent...DORIS YOST and her husband, FRED, are becoming "commuters" and will soon know every turn in the road to Providence, Rhode Island. This time the trip was made to attend the christening of their new grandson, DOUGLAS FREDERICK PARISEAU. . Speedy recovery wishes are extended to MARY JANE HOSTETTER who recently underwent surgery; but "you can't keep a good gal down", so we expect she will be bouncing back very soon, just as good as new...The staff of the Transit News entertained the reporters with a delicious dinner party at the M&M Club on September 18. We were most appreciative to them for giving us the opportunity to enjoy a congenial evening together.

- Clara Lawrence

(Tabulating) -

MARIAN BUCKLEY reports that the inclement Chicago weather kept her indoors most of her vacation. However, they did go to Long Grove, Illinois, where they went shopping (looking) as opposed to shopping (buying). She recommends this short jaunt to everyone as most interesting... BARBARA DEN HAMER spent part of her vacation in Lake Geneva. She enjoyed the fishing but says that the "big" ones got away...PAULINE TORREY stayed in Chicagoland just enjoying "no alarm clock" and reacquainting herself with friends and relatives...EMIL RUSINAK took a short trip to Benton Harbor and Bridgeman, Michigan. What did you do, Emil, go fishing?..FLORENCE PARROTT went to Baldwin, Kansas, for a family reunion. She also paid a visit to her farm in Knob Noster, Missouri. On the way home they drove through the Ozarks which is always beautiful.

- Evelyn Leu

CLAIM -

Promotions were in the air this month. MICHAEL J. McDERMOTT was appointed superintendent of investigations and claims. HARRY E. BONESS became assistant superintendent, adjusting, and WILLIAM LEMBACHNER became assistant superintendent, investigation. The best of luck to them on their new assignments...Your scribes, TERRI and RUTHIE, would like to thank management and the Transit News for the lovely dinner which was held at the M&M Club on September 18. We had a great time and enjoyed meeting our co-workers...On October 30 we bid a fond farewell to ERIC ERICKSON by having a retirement party for him. Good luck to you Eric, and happy retirement...As of this writing PAT ZAJAC is preparing to leave on a two-week tour of the Hawaiian Islands. Pat's traveling companions will be her dad, RICHARD ZAJAC of the South Shops, her mom, and sister. Pat and her family are leaving October 3 on a 747...Congratulations to SAM VAUGHAN. The Chicago Merit Employment Committee of the Chicago Association of Commerce and Industry awarded Sam a cer-

tificate of merit for outstanding achievements in informing and motivating minority youths during the 1969-1970 school year. This award was presented at a banquet luncheon held in the grand ballroom of the Sheraton-Chicago hotel on Tuesday, September 8. GEORGE L. DeMENT, CTA board chairman, and other company officials were in attendance.

- Ruth Kaminski & Terri Kramer

ELECTRICAL (General Office) -

DAVID CHRISTOPHER PIENTO, weighing in at 7 pounds 5 ounces, was welcomed into our world on September 8. He is the son of JOSEPH W. PIENTO, power supervisor, and his wife, CHRISTINE. David has two brothers, JOSEPH and MICHAEL. A daughter was born to MARY and GEORGE MATEJOVSKY, signal draftsman. MARY CATHERINE weighed 6 pounds 5 ounces when she arrived on September 16. She joins her brother, GEORGE F., and her sister, JEAN MARIE MATEJOVSKY. Congratulations to the parents on their new arrivals. . . BILLIE and GEORGE W. CHRISTENSEN, communications engineer, are the proud grandparents of JENNIFER LYNN who was born on September 4 in Karat, Turkey. She is the daughter of SUSAN and GEORGE CHRISTENSEN Jr. Her dad is an X-ray technician with the U.S. Army Air Force...ADOLPH KUTZ, estimator, vacationed in Washington, D.C., where he attended a reunion of the 95th Infantry Division...Sunday, September 20, was a perfect summer day for the Electrical Department picnic. The adults had as much fun as the children playing clever and amusing games such as the pin game, bean contest, and tug of war which the evens won. Among the prize winners were CRAIG SWINDELL, JANICE CHRISTENSEN, BERNADETTE KIZIOR, SAM CHARLTON, DONNA KAMINSKI, and BILLIE and GEORGE CHRISTENSEN. One of the lovely prizes was a GE steam iron donated by S. E. DOBOSIEWICZ, supervisor of construction and maintenance. Thanks, Ziggy. We were all glad to see Mr. and Mrs. S. S. DANECKE, retired superintendent of construction and maintenance. We want to thank committee members BOB BOOTH, RAY BIENIASZ, MARIE HAVLIK, and RON SWINDELL for planning such a wonderful day. Bob and his wife, DOLORES, really did a great job of selecting gifts and directing the games along with Ron. Also, thanks to BILL REHDER, ROY KUTCHINS, and ADOLPH KUTZ who gave some assistance. Each year our picnic gets better and if you missed this year's, you missed the greatest.

- Kay McAlister

(Blue Island) -

Well, back to the books for all our future lawyers, doctors, teachers, and engineers who worked for CTA during the summer. Good luck to J. MICHALEWITZ, G. GRECO, L. JANUZIK, D. GEIER, R. BLAA, P. KELLAM, D. LUKAS, and D. SENN...As news is a little slow coming in, I would still like to hear from the rest of our pensioners, W. BROWN, C. WAADEN, R. MASESSO, J. DORR, L. DAVIS, L. OLSEN, S. GECAN, W. MORAN, T. STIPATI, N. LARSON, F. CASTRIE, J. SKIRIS, J. NAGRODSKI, H. ESSINGTON, J. DALTON, A. RADDATZ, P. DRATZ, C. MADDOX, J. BLOOMBERG, F. KNOERR, C. HOFFMAN, A. SCANDORA, H. WEBER, A. PICKARD, E. BOYLE, J. WOODS, C. WOLF, J. WATERS, A. LALAND, T. JOHNSON, and A. HANSEL...Received a letter from W. COLLINS who says he enjoys the magazine and informed us of the passing of CARL JACKSON's wife...Vacationers sent in some cards: J. DARCY from Flagstaff, Arizona, and BARNEY TOAL from the land of 40 shades of green, Ireland. I know everyone would like to see his name in print, so let's hear from the active employes, W. LOOS, W. POWELL, A. ARDWINI, B. BECKMANN, H. ANDERSON, G. CHRISTENSEN, T. WYNCOTT, J. FINLAY, B. JAUMAN, G. EGGERS, and E. FLAHERTY...CLYDE PETERSON stopped in and sends his regards to all...Again I have stooped to the game of name dropping, I hope it helps the column...Best wishes to C. PARK who joined the pension roll on October 1...From the grapevine we hear that the person who helps yours truly by contributing the most news in the next year will be invited out to dinner. Lots of luck.

- William Rehder

PICTURED HERE is TIMOTHY J. O'ROURKE, the son of TIM O'ROURKE, Claim Department, who was recently graduated from Quincy college where he majored in business management. Timothy formerly worked as a ticket agent for CTA.

ENGINEERING -

PAT McCARTHY was promoted to structural engineer, and PAUL SWANSON to supervising civil engineer. Congratulations and good luck to both men in their new positions...Congratulations to Paul Swanson, again, on the birth of a new baby boy born on September 3. He will hereby be known as ERIC PAUL, weighing in at 8 pounds 6 ounces... More congratulations to a new grandfather for the first time. JACK O'REILLY's daughter, EILEEN (formerly from Schedule Department), gave birth to a baby girl on September 6 named CHRISTINE ANNE, who weighed 9 pounds...Former employe ALICE WIENSKI gave birth to a baby boy on September 1 weighing 6 pounds 15 ounces who will answer to the name of GLENN VINCENT. Congratulations, Alice, on your second and may you have many, many more...Sorry to report that DAN HIRSCHFELD will be leaving us on October 5. Good luck and best wishes on your new position, Dan. . . The Engineering Department would like to welcome HUMBERTO ROSALES who joined our homestead on September 23 as a design draftsman III... Congratulations to JOSEPH URBASZEWSKI who is the proud godfather of 18 guppies. Did anyone see the whereabouts of mama who called it quits and jumped out of the bowl after giving birth?..Sorry to report the recent tragedy of the drafting section. JIM JOHNSON gave his fellow employes explicit orders to feed his plant while he was out selling school passes. To his dismay when he returned, he found his poor helpless plant gasping for air and dying of thirst. Jim, having a graduate degree in home nursing, managed to doctor it up and now it is fast on its way to recovery...The drafting division girl-watchers recently took

a serious survey of the latest fashion scene--the midi. Here are the results: One, they are in favor of it for girls who want to hide it all, and two, they wouldn't wear one if you paid them. One of the committee members was unable to give an opinion because he hasn't given one a second glance. What do you have to say about that, girls?

(West Shops) -

Fall is upon us and most of the vacationers have had their fun and are now preparing to start saving for next year's vacation. LEE ANDERSON, carpenter foreman, his wife, and his aunt from Sweden recently returned from touring the southwestern part of the country. The trip included Colorado, Albuquerque, the painted desert, petrified forest, Grand Canyon, and many other interesting sights. The Andersons also visited Las Vegas, but unfortunately didn't win any astounding amount of cash...ART STEERS, clerk, spent a two-week vacation at home watching the rain. BILL HEFFERNAN, track foreman, spent a three-week vacation entertaining his new granddaughter at home. . . MIKE O'CONNER, carpenter, recently celebrated a blessed event. His wife had a baby girl. And I might add, to the relief of Auntie GINNY SCOTT of West Shops. Mike reported his whereabouts to her daily to be sure he would be by his wife's side when she went to the hospital...Speaking of newborns, HAROLD BERNDT Jr., laborer, recently became a father to a baby girl. This must be the time of year for girls. Congratulations to the new daddies...Labor Foreman ROCKY FERRARO wanted to issue a special thank you to his college student help who worked for the summer. He said this year's crew was a really nice and hard working bunch of guys...MARY GALLON, your reporter, would like to thank management and BOB HEINLEIN and his staff for giving the reporters such a nice Transit News dinner again this year. Having a choice of food was an extra delight and the gift presented to each reporter was both beautiful and very useful. Hope to attend next year's dinner. Thanks again!

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

Hi, men! Well, it's that time of the year when the track starts to get slippery, so please be on guard and don't tailgate. With this kind of weather it takes more time to brake. Also, it's almost time for trick or treat, so do be kind to the little ones when they make their rounds...On October 5 Operator and Mrs. MIKE KOMPANOWSKI will be going together for 35 years. Of course, Kompanowski is expecting a very lovely surprise this day--he says the "Mrs." will prepare his morning meal and serve him in bed. Also, he and his son went on a fishing trip in September, but we hever heard if he caught anything... Mr. and Mrs. ARNOLD CAMPBELL were given a surprise party on their 25th wedding anniversary by their daughter, JUDY, and son, RICKY, on August 30. Arnold says, "It seems like only yesterday when my wife asked me to marry her."..A belated happy birthday to our fine friend AL ALSTERLUND. I understand his lovely wife is still having trouble with her arm which was broken a year or so ago. The best to both of you...Happened to run across another fine young gentleman, FRANCIS LEAK, who was formerly a supervisor and has returned to the ranks as an operator. Welcome back, Leak, at least now we'll be able to get a smile from you. On October 4 he and RUTH, his wife of 18 years, had an anniversary party. It was a beautiful affair with Leak taking Ruth and his family out on the town...Loader JIM BRENNAN says it will be 36 years on November 29 with his young woman, and she gets younger and younger looking as time goes by. I believe he is going to have an open house, so we all can drop over during the course of the evening. I hope he will offer more than just coffee and cake...Operator GEORGE WICKMAN is now working in the General Office. He was seen clipping articles out of the paper and it looked like he was cutting out paper dolls. If you need help, George, just call on your old friends. We are also looking for a position... Operator JOE GARCIA, better known as "Hilly Joe", has been paying his club dues on time, but his lovely wife is missed dropping in and telling her much needed little jokes. They are a very fine couple, and Joe is the kind of operator we need more of... Operator BILL WHITE recently lost his mother. Our hearts go out to you on such a loss. I knew his mother and you couldn't find a lovelier woman...STEVE POLNIASZEK finally had a trip to Europe. He flew to Spain and Portugal with his wife and daughter, and I do believe his lovely daughter paid for the trip. Steve has a way of talking people into spending...Operator GEORGE FUENTES and his family had a wonderful time traveling to Las Vegas, California, and then up into Canada. George was a little upset because he couldn't hit the jackpot on those funny machines which you have to put money into and then pull the handle. His wife was on the other side and hit the jackpot several times. Well, George, you'd better listen to the "Mrs." on what machines to play, and of course the price you deposit in them. But when it all ended, George said he didn't enjoy all this. I suppose he didn't have his bank card...A belated wedding anniversary greeting to Mr. and Mrs. FRANK ENGELTHALER who celebrated five years on September 18. The old boy took the wife out to a lovely dining palace, but of course Mrs. Engelthaler had to come up with the money...Operator MITSUO OGATA and his family toured the northeastern states and part of Canada while on vacation. This fine family believes in enjoying all of the USA as they are educating their children in our history. Next, Mitsuo will be giving his family instructions on the operation of a bus. Anyway, we here at Forest Glen are proud of you...Supervisor EGGERSDORF went fishing the first part of August up at Pentenwell Lake. His three-year old daughter put him to shame by catching nine fish in an hour, while Dave had one. Also, the Eggersdorfs will celebrate their 14th wedding anniversary on September 22. Here's to many, many more for this family who are rated very high by yours truly...TOM MEAGHER's son, RICKY, has entered

JOSEPH W. PARRILLO achieved the highest grade in the Illinois CPA examination in May, 1970, and was awarded the Gold Medal by the Illinois Society of Certified Public Accountants. He is a former summer employe in the Transportation Department office and is the son of Budget Accountant W. J. PARRILLO.

the army. We are all expecting to hear from him soon as to where he is stationed. Good luck, Ricky, and the best to all our boys in the service...A belated 33rd birthday to Operator GARCIA, September 24...Take time and stop by your credit union for any help that is needed, and it is also a good place to save.

- *W. A. Henry* (Don't call me Willie)

GENERAL OFFICE (Employment) -

LOIS MOLLENKAMP was welcomed to the department as a clerk-typist after joining CTA...LYNN HARRER, along with her parents and a few friends, flew to New York and then took a boat cruise to the Bahamas, where a good time was had by all...DON RIESS and his wife spent part of their vacation in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, catching a glimpse of the ski slopes. Winter will be here soon enough Don, don't rush it...ANITA CURTIS and her husband spent a week's vacation visiting Acapulco and Mexico City.

(Employe Relations) -

What's this we hear about ED BOLE trying to convert the waitresses into bunnies. We had better keep a closer eye on you, Mr. Bole, who knows you may be the "Hare" of them all...WALTER MIKICICH, former bus operator from 52nd Street, was welcomed to the department as a file clerk.

(Research & Planning) -

Retired General Manager WALTER J. McCARTER dropped in to report on the new home of MARY BOSKI's former luncheon pal, MARLENE DAY, and her husband, JOE, at 778 Kalanipuu, Hawaii Kai, Oahu, Hawaii 96821. When you go past Mary's desk in the winter months ahead and she seems to be concentrating so much on her work don't be fooled, she's probably just envisioning thoughts of having lunch with her friends in Hawaii--don't blame her either. Best wishes in your new home, Marlene and Joe!.. The ocean cruiser M.S. Boheme carried two pretty passengers on one of its trips in the Caribbean. They were MARY ELLEN RUSS of Research/Planning and MARY BETH MURRAY of Stores. Mary Ellen and Mary Beth boarded their ship at Miami and the first stop was Freeport, Bahamas. In Freeport they gambled their money away at the Casino. Mary Ellen enjoyed the slot machines--especially that ten cent machine which paid her back with a few coins. Next on the agenda was shopping in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands; sightseeing in San Juan, Puerto Rico, and just relaxing in Cap Hatien, Haiti. Besides the fun on the islands they were keeping busy on the ship with swimming, sunbathing, dancing to the music of the ship's band, and just doing what they liked best--relaxing...With his savings out of the bank and a full tank of gas, FRANK MISEK and his wife, STASE, started their vacation to the west. Frank was full of smiles before he left and who wouldn't be, if you were going to such places as Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Flagstaff, Grand Canyon, Las Vegas, Disneyland (which some people say is the starting point for all RP employes), Phoenix, Tucson, and others. Before Frank left he put his desk in order (gave some work to Steve and John), told us how much he would miss us, and kissed all the girls goodby. We're looking forward to hearing of their travel adventures on their return...TIM O'CONNOR, the son of JOHN O'CONNOR of RP, entered the military service on August 28. Tim is now stationed in Fort Dix. John says he kind of enjoys Tim's absence in a way because he inherited Tim's car and when he rides around all the young girls think he's Tim...Welcome to RP's newest additions--LLOYD HILLOCK and NORM OSWALD. Norm, who formerly worked in Schedule, became our new traffic analyst. Lloyd, a former Public Information employe, is keeping busy as our engineering trainee...STEVE LEGLER and his wife, SHARI, have returned from their vacation with a bus load of memories. Steve recounted their stay in San Francisco which included a tour of the Bay Area Rapid Transit District complex and their new developments in rapid transit cars. They have beautiful pictures of the cable cars in San Francisco, swimming for the first time in the ocean in San Diego, touring Disneyland, visiting relatives, and finally watching the sun set at Grand Canyon. As all vacations are, Steve says his was too short...The best of luck to JUD LAWRIE in his new job in mass transportation for the State of Illinois...Congratulations to DIANE GRAZIANO who became engaged to SCOTT TRAXLER during her vacation. The wedding is set for August 14, 1971...Last but not least, congratulations to BILL GOODWIN for being so patient because he always seems to be left out of the Transit News.

THIS HAPPY group is the family of Steamfitter JIM FLORES, West Shops, while on a vacation camping trip in Ladi, Wisconsin.

(Treasury) -

JAYNE DICKINSON and her husband spent their honeymoon in Florida, where Jayne caught a four foot barricuda. That is the second fish she caught in her life, not telling who the first one was...HAROLD DONIHI and his daughter experimented with a new pudding known as "lemon pudding." They included entire eggs with the ingredients and ended up having scrambled eggs instead of pudding. Nothing like learning to cook all over again, Harold--practice makes perfect...As of this writing, FLORENCE BUTTERFIELD and her husband are spending their vacation sprucing up the house for the winter...Something new has been added to the department. There is a new employe known as (Roberta) EMIL TUMA. We sure envy your head of hair and curls, on you it looks good...Welcomed to the department were DON POWELL and MIKE BRUNO as token clerks...CHARLIE ABT and MAURICE CONNORS are still on the disabled list and a few cheery cards to them would help speed things along and keep their spirits up.

(Insurance) -

Our sympathy is extended to HECTOR ROCOURT and his family on the sudden death of his wife.

(Medical) -

Dr. G. H. IRWIN, retiree, stopped in to see us recently and thanks all who contributed to making his retirement party a success. He is now on the traveling spree and

RICHARD UNWIN, the son of WILLIAM UNWIN, Insurance Department, is a former Stores Department employe now serving in the navy and stationed aboard the attack carrier U.S.S. Oriskany. He is a 2nd Class Petty Officer with Photo Intelligence.

really looks great. We're happy to say that his Medically Speaking column will continue to appear in Transit News.

(Reproduction Services) -

Our sympathy is extended to JOAN FITZGERALD on the death of her stepfather...MARY LOU PODLAK, dictaphone operator, and her husband and father drove through the west and flew back.

(Public Information) -

Before RUSS WARNSTEDT of the Suggestion System left for Hawaii, ARLENE ZITTMAN surprised him with a pineapple made of liver sausage and sliced stuffed olives topped with the leaves from a fresh pineapple. She served crackers and small rye bread with it. Thanks, Russ, for taking a vacation, we sure enjoyed your treat!..We welcome PAT HALLAHAN back on the job in the Service Section. She is looking mighty sharp after her recent sojourn in the hospital. Pat sends a warm and sincere "thank you" to each and everyone of you throughout the company who donated blood, sent flowers, cards, called, and came to visit.

(Law) -

Retiree VAL NESSINGER stopped in to say hello to the gang and evidently retirement agrees with him. Val looks well and cheerful. He is back in the bowling groove and we hope he has a better year than last year...CLARENCE P. VESELY, messenger, lost his bachelorhood when he took the final step on September 24 and married his wartime sweetheart. Good luck to you both...PHYLLIS BRZECZEK and PEGGY McCLELLAND spent a week's vacation in Las Vegas spending their hard-earned money, but having a grand time...We welcome back to work MARY WALSH after being ill in the hospital. As of this date she is doing fine and walking well...Attorney JAMES P. GALLAGHER and his wife became the proud parents of a baby girl. That makes two girls and one boy for the Gallaghers. Keep up the good work, Jim...As of this writing, JERRY CAMPBELL is on the sick list but we hope to see her back soon and looking good.

(Training & Accident Prevention) -

MARIE WIECZOREK exchanged vows with WILLIAM CLINE, multilith operator in Reproduction Services, on Saturday, September 24, at St. Stanislaus Kostka church. A reception was held at the Monteclare Banquet hall...JOANNE BOURNE left the services of the CTA to await a blessed event...STU MAGINNIS and his son, MARK, ended the summer by going on a canoe trip into Canada. They covered 72 miles by paddling and portaging the canoe and supplies. Mark attended to the navigating while Stu did the cooking--they both managed to survive...While flying from Chicago to Shannon on his recent European tour, BILL SHOLDICE was surprised to see that one of the passengers on the plane was LILLIAN LAMONT of Revenue Accounting. It's really a small world, because while Bill was in England he ran into MARY GRACE JEWELL, a former employe of this department. Mary Grace and her husband, JIM, were in the process of moving to a house of their own in London. Mary sends regards to all at CTA.

(Property) -

JAMES BARATTA recently returned to work after a very serious operation...HAROLD BURDA won one of the major prizes at the recent LaGrange post carnival. He did not win the Cadillac but he did win something to ride, a three speed, hand braked Columbia bicycle...In a recent parade held in Maywood, PAT CLIFFORD and his scout troop had their picture snapped and published by an Oak Park newspaper. Pat is getting up in this world...BILL CAFFREY and his wife returned from three enjoyable weeks of a Canadian vacation. They occupied the bridal suite in Lake Louise...BRUCE DINTER returned from a fishing trip in northern Wisconsin, and the only bite he got was when he bit his tongue...MAYNARD DAHMS spent his vacation putting up a new fence and resodding his lawn... JACK BOLAND and his family traveled and camped in the Ozarks of Missouri and the Dirt Bowl of Oklahoma during his vacation. Jack is a real outdoor fiend...Both co-reporters wish to express their appreciation to management and Editor BOB HEINLEIN for the delicious dinner and beautiful remembrance. It sure was a roundabout way of hinting to get the news in on time, Bob.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neuraeuter

KEDZIE -

To all operators: There's no parking in front of the depot at any time. This is an order from the General Office. Superintendent M. HARRINGTON and Night Superintendent G. DAUBS will enforce this rule. Since the change to the fare box pulling system, Bays 2 and 3 have been in use. This is also a safety measure to protect all fare box pullers, so please comply...At Kedzie we welcome Acting Night Superintendent REDDRICK, he's at the depot from midnight to 6:00 a.m. Of course, he's not a stranger to us, he was an operator out of Kedzie...TED HEFFERMAN and his lovely wife, KATHERINE, are happy to have their son, JOE, home and out of the army after serving two years. While Joe was going to De Paul university he worked as a ticket agent. Joe will make his home in San Francisco, California...Retired Operator MIKE KENNEY and his wife went on a tour to Europe. They had a grand time. Mike liked Ireland the best and said he had a good time in Spain and took in a bullfight...Operator SCANLON is back from Ireland where he spent his vacation visiting his relatives and friends. He said everything was great, but vacations go by too quick...Operator REYNOLDS went through the Southland, touring Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Missouri just visiting friends, but he sure enjoyed himself. ..Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. J. KANE, whose husband, JOE KANE, who had been on a disability pension, passed away and was laid to rest September 12 at Mount Carmel cemetery...Don't forget your credit union! Save a little each payday, so you can help a brother in need...Operator

NEW PENSIONERS

GEORGE R. ALLAN, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 4-6-42
PAUL BURGE, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 6-22-51
ARTHUR T. COOK, Clerk,
77th Street, Emp. 3-23-42
SALVATORE DAMIANO, Tractor Operator,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 12-22-43
PERRY M. EDGERTON, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 7-31-41
EDWARD R. HENDRICKSON, Superintendent,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 9-29-30
ALEXANDER R. JENKY, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 10-26-36
SIDNEY KAPPENMACHER, Carpenter "A",
Engineering, Emp. 9-28-29
FRED F. KERHART, Janitor,
Lawndale, Emp. 10-27-33
JAMES J. KOVANDA, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 5-12-43
THOMAS J. LAWLESS, Shopman II,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 4-22-37
GEORGE P. MAYER, Janitor,
North Park, Emp. 4-14-43
MICHAEL J. MURPHY, Machinist,
Engineering, Emp. 2-25-42
CHARLES K. PARK, Substation Operator,
Electrical, Emp. 8-2-44
GEORGE L. PELLICORE, Chief Accountant,
Accounting, Emp. 1-5-20
MICHAEL J. RUDDY, Conductor,
South Section, Emp. 7-8-43
FRANK N. SCATENA, Motorman,
North Section, Emp. 11-17-43
GEORGE TOLBERT, Bus Serviceman,
North Park, Emp. 5-29-33
RICHARD A. VAUGHAN, Supervisor,
District A, Emp. 3-30-37
GEORGE F. VOIGHT, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 6-12-43

and Mrs. WILLIE C. JACKSON celebrated their silver wedding anniversary September 21. On their vacation they went to the Grand Canyon and were surprised by its vastness and beauty, and even more by the mountains of Colorado. After all this traveling they spent a quiet weekend in Wisconsin. He's now looking forward to their golden anniversary.

- Raymond Graham

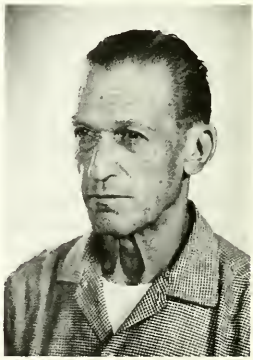
LAWNDALE -

Well, the summer weather has left us and the cool of fall is upon us, which we all like so much...We see that GEORGE O'DONNELL gave up day cars to work night cars. What's wrong, George, too much Poncho?..Janitor FRED KERHART retired on September 30. Good luck, Fred...On September 18 your reporter was in attendance at a dinner held for the Transit News reporters and we had a wonderful time. Our thanks to Transit Board Chairman G. DeMENT, Superintendent of Public and Employe Relations F. C. KNAUTZ, and BOB HEINLEIN and MEL ALEXANDER of the Transit News staff...BOBBY BROWN is off sick and we hope to see him back soon...I would like to thank everyone who sent me cards and called while I was convalescing... Let's all try to win the safety award for the next quarter, fellows. With a little effort I'm sure we'll reach our goal.

- James Marshall

KEELER -

Hi all you ghosts and goblins, just be sure that the one for the road is apple cider...Now that the hunting season is upon us, here's a little item you may find interesting. Husband-hunting is probably the only sport in which the animal that gets caught has to buy a license...I'll herewith make use of my reportorial license to bestow happy birthday wishes to the following Keeler gentlemen: Operators NELSON, October 1; SIMMONS, October 7; YANCEY, October 7; DORSCH, October 9; DUPONT, October 10; PAGANO, October 11; O'SHEA, October 11; BROWN, October 12; WHITE, October 16; SIWEIL, October 28; HARRIS, October 29, and YARRINGTON, October 31. Night Mechanic CHESTER GAZINSKI owned up to another birthday on October 14...Say, all you single girls, I bet you didn't know that Relief Foreman JAIME MORALES was 21 years old on September 13 and is very much eligible. Guess that's why he works nights--dodging...I kind of got my wires crossed, so if October 17 isn't JOHN JEFFREY's birthday, then these greetings are either retroactive or early...Mechanic RICHARD HARTMAN's son, RICK Jr., started his birthday string on September 12--his first...I've heard that the best way to remember your wife's birthday is to forget one. Maybe Operator M. LEE knew this as he didn't forget his wife, BOBBIE, on October 3, and his son, ADRIAN, on October 31 when he made five. Lee almost goofed as his daughter, ELLEN, celebrated hers on September 30. Lee and his family recently vacationed in the old hometown of Clarksdale, Mississippi...Other vacationers include Clerk LEROY KETTERING who sent us a card from Brownsville, Texas. Haven't discovered where our boss, Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN, is relaxing from the rigors of his labors. I'm sure he will let us know all the details when he returns. Meanwhile, back in the office, Assistant Station Superintendent M. H. DEWITT was anxiously waiting for



JOINING THE ranks of the retired on October 1 was SIDNEY KAPPENMACHER, carpenter "A", Engineering Department, who had 41 years of service with CTA and the former Rapid Transit company.

October 4 to roll around so he can roll away from these hallowed walls...Away, but not vacationing, are Operators ANDY SEGAR, E. DADDEZIO, and J. RODRIGUEZ. These fellows are on the sick list. We wish them a speedy return. ..We're glad, along with Operator BECKER, that his wife, IRENE, has left the confines of Forkosh hospital and returned home...Operator JARECKI was wedded 11 years on September 12, but he failed to give me the name of the "missus", so give him----...Repairman JOHN ZAJAC was as happy as the proverbial lark when lovely RITA MANNING became his better half on September 26...Another happy person, with his face all aglow, is our custodial superintendent SY GOLDMAN. Reason--he's been presented with a new broom...Till next time.

- Ernest C. Carter

LIMITS -

Operator ADRIAN FLORES, one of our finest, has left the CTA family and moved with his family to Puerto Rico where he will operate his own business. Good luck to you and may your business venture be a real success...Chief Clerk TOM SIMCO returned from his vacation. He was up in the Snake River country in Idaho where he enjoyed himself, fishing to his heart's content. He reports that he got more than his quota of fish...Operator JESSE BORDEAUX had his annual family reunion in September in Harvey, Illinois. A total of 57 members of the family attended. A good time was had by all with plenty of food and refreshments...Operator DENNIS KIPPES and his bride of one year, MARGARET, welcomed their first child, DAWN MARIE, a cute girl who is the idol of their home. Congratulations to the proud parents...Supervisor JOSETTI and his dear wife toured parts of Europe on their vacation. They enjoyed themselves to the utmost with plenty of good food and sightseeing trips...GEORGE CLARK, retired operator and former scribe for the Transit News, has been ill for some time and one of his legs was amputated due to his serious condition. We all wish you a speedy recovery, George...ERNIE BUCHOLZ, new assistant treasurer of the Limits credit union, likes his work and is always willing to find time to help any member who needs financial help... Our sincerest sympathy to the families of FRANK HESS and Collector LYONS who passed away last month. Also to VIC JOHNSON, former night superintendent at Limits, and J. JENKINS in the loss of their dear mothers.

- R. S. Benson

LOOP -

Just a few weeks before Clerk JOE MARKOS started his vacation, he was asked where he was going. Joe replied, "oh, Florida, I guess." He had maps and guides all set, so I knew where Joe and his wife were going. The first week of his vacation was almost over and Joe was still at home, but when he returned to work after five weeks he told us of his wonderful vacation. He and his dear wife went on a second honeymoon at Niagara Falls. They told me it's just a beautiful spot for visitors. Remember the song "Shuffle off to Buffalo?" Well, that's just where they went next. They toured the university, viewed the city from Skyway drive, and swam at Beaver Island State park. They just had to spend time in New York City, where Joe said everyone has his favorite attractions. He went like a flash to the Stock Exchange as he wanted to be sure his stocks were

A HAPPY reunion of two Limits pensioners recently took place when ART MAAS, right, visited with WALTER JACKSON, left, at his home in Roswell, New Mexico. Both were bus operators at Limits Station prior to their retirement in 1968.

going good. Mrs. Markos spent a day shopping in the more fashionable shops on Fifth avenue. They ate in the well-known restaurants during the late afternoon and started out in the evening wining and dining at the nightclubs and then went to several theaters. Joe says maybe next year we will go to Hawaii...Our deepest sympathy to the following: To the family of Trainman TOMMY KING who passed away suddenly September 19. To the family of Janitor C. JONES who passed away so suddenly. Clarence worked at the Lake Street office for a great number of years. He was well liked by all his co-workers and always talked about his dear wife and children. We will all miss Clarence Jones. To the family of Janitor J. COUSINS who passed away so suddenly. He had been a janitor in the Loop for many years. We also extend our sympathy to Clerk E. PFANNKUCKE who lost his dear wife in August...Congratulations to Agent J. MATTRAN and her husband, RAY. They became grandma and grandpa for the second time. But this little one is a boy weighing 8 pounds 2 ounces who was named SCOTT RAYMOND and Julie says he's a little doll. He and his mom and dad are doing very good. Well, grandma and grandpa are still a little excited because the stork will be around again in November. Their daughter and son-in-law are expecting a visit from that great old bird...Congratulations to Agent A. MILLER who is moving into her new home by late October. Her little ones are all excited. ..Just heard that Agent W. STRASSER was skiing while on his vacation. And he says he is an old man. Who are you trying to fool, Wilbur. We always say you're as old as you feel. So you must be quite young...Agent J. FILIPEK and his wife are very happy and proud of their son, JOHN Jr., who entered St. Vincent DePaul seminary in LeMont, Illinois...Collector LATHAM said he was going to Canada where the fishing is so good. He has been back awhile now, but never said anything about the big fish he hooked up there...So after all these years, DOROTHY FORD left Central and Lake to work Harlem and Lake. Good luck, and remember you are in Forest Park now, not Chicago...A big welcome to Agent M. HAASE to Oak Park on the Congress. But look out, Lake Street agents, we just heard that she is coming back next pick...Back from a fun-filled vacation are G. YARDLEY who spent her vacation in Pennsylvania, J. MATTRAN and her husband who just dashed around the Windy City this year, and M. WIXTED who spent part of her vacation at the Wisconsin Dells...Retired Agent B. FIELDS had a very interesting and exciting vacation this year. She went to Yugoslavia, Greece, and Italy...Birthday

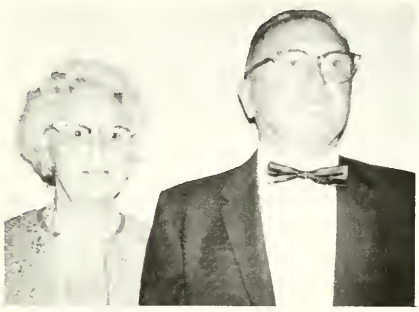
greetings to Agent A. HAWKINS who celebrated her birthday September 11. And was it a great celebration, she had a long weekend off, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday...Agent FRANK LUCAS really made the rounds this vacation. First he spent a few days in Indiana with relatives and friends. Then went off to New York and New Jersey. There he did a little visiting and sightseeing. He then went to Washington, D.C., and said he did some deep sea fishing and enjoyed it. They came home for a little rest and were off again this time to Wisconsin...Your co-reporter, MILDRED DOYLE, and her husband, Clerk DAN DOYLE, had a lovely weekend September 19 and 20. Saturday the 19th was our son's birthday and Sunday was his little boy's birthday. Daddy is JOHN and baby is MICHAEL who was one year old. We all gathered at John's home in Bridgeview and had a great celebration. Really, it is the greatest joy anyone could experience, just watching our eight grandchildren playing games and having so much fun, and they all get along so very well...It was so nice to have Dr. GEORGE H. IRWIN and his wife at our Reporter's dinner September 18. Mrs. Irwin is sure a lovely person. We all enjoyed talking with them. We wish the doctor and his wife good health and happiness and many years of retirement. Dr. Irwin has retired, but was so kind to say he will continue writing Medically Speaking for our Transit News. Many thanks to Editor ROBERT HEINLEIN, Assistant Editor MEL ALEXANDER, Superintendent of Public and Employe Relations F. C. KNAUTZ, and Transit Board Chairman GEORGE L. DeMENT for the lovely dinner at the M&M Club. We all had a great time. And thank you all for the gift each one of us received.

- Mildred Doyle & Mary Wixted

MILWAUKEE, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Your co-reporter, GRACE MOUNTS, her husband, and friends spent some time at the Wisconsin Dells. While there, they bumped into North Side Agent PEGGY ROCHE and two of her friends twice, but missed seeing HUGH HEGARTY and his wife who were there at the same time. Grace and her husband spent the Labor day weekend in Holland, Michigan, where her sisters and nieces had a gathering. Grace got to see her three-week old great nephew for the first time...Congratulations to Instructor KENNY BROWN and his wife who celebrated their seventh wedding anniversary on September 14...It is good to see Superintendent LEO BIEN back to work after his illness. Hope you are feeling better and taking life a little easier...Collector KAULIS spent his vacation babysitting with his granddaughter, while his daughter and son-in-law spent their vacation in Las Vegas. Somehow it just doesn't seem fair, does it Kaulis ?..VIRGINIA TOTCKE had a birthday on September 7. Her two daughters, Sister PHYLLIS and Sister VIRGINIA, gave her a surprise birthday party. Everyone had a great time and Virginia really was surprised...MARION KAAD spent her vacation visiting her daughter in Maroucek, New York...LILLIAN CONROY's youngest granddaughter was christened on September 20. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. NIEMIEC...Student Ticket Agent GARY WORBY was graduated from Loyola university and was married the following weekend to TRISHA KOMINSKI of Danville, Illinois, who is employed with the Visiting Nurse association here in Chicago. Congratulations and good luck to Mr. and Mrs. Worby... VIRGINIA TOTCKE, LILLIAN CONROY, DOROTHY ADLER, and MARION KAAD spent a day of their vacation at the Wisconsin State Fair. A great time was had by all of them... ELEANOR HASBROUCK's son, TOM, is a student at Milbikar university in Decatur and her daughter, KATHY, is a student at Rosary college in River Forest...After spending a week in Nassau, TOM RAPP seems to have given up his bachelorhood. Can this be true?..Mr. and Mrs. BOB MALONEY celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary. Congratulations to both of you and may you have many more happy years together...MARY JO OHNESORGE is on the sick book. It seems that while Mary Jo was at the airport picking up her sister whom she hasn't seen in 35 years, she was struck by an airport bus. Hope you are feeling better and will be back to work soon... HELEN GRYZELAK and her husband, JOE, who is a bus driver, celebrated 25 years of marriage. Congratulations, Helen and Joe...It's good to see Mr. HALLAHAN's daughter, PAT, is out of the hospital and back to work with us in Public Information...Good luck to all the summer help who have returned to school for the fall. Hope to see many of you back again next year...GENE, the brother of your scribe, KATY MORIARTY, and his wife, GEORGIA, came back to Chicago from California to live. Gene has a fellowship at IIT and Georgia will be teaching at Blackhawk Junior High in Bensenville...Sorry to see ED HEATTER, former station superintendent at Jefferson Park, transferred to Howard Street. We all want to wish him the best of luck in his new assignment...A big welcome to TOM BOYLE who came to us from the North Side. Mr. Boyle is now the a.m. station superintendent at Lake Street...We all wish to express our sympathy to the families of JACK COZZENS and CLARENCE JONES, two West Side janitors who passed away last month...Congratulations to former North Side Agent LUDARISH BUTLER, who is now a regular assignment agent...Student Agent SEEPERSAD SOOGRIM has left CTA to return to his home in Trinidad...Student Agent JIM KULIS has left CTA to further his studies. Jim hopes to be back in January. Hope everything goes well for you, Jim... West Side Janitor (Big) JOHN HOLIMAN is planning a surprise birthday party for his wife. Hope everything goes well and she doesn't find out about it. But if she does, it will have to be from John, because he is telling everyone else...Assignment Agent MIKE TOBIN had arranged his vacation so he could watch the Cubbies play in the world series. I imagine he was rather disappointed...TERRY COLBERT and BETTY LEWIS were in an automobile accident. We all hope you are both feeling better and will be back to work soon...The dinner given for the scribes at the M&M

PICTURED HERE is Pensioner and Mrs. CHARLES KRAUSS who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 28 with their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren in Scottsdale, Arizona. Charles formerly worked at Skokie Shops as an armature winder.



Club was really great. The meal and the talks were wonderful and most of the same familiar faces were there. I was very sorry to hear that the famous party pooper, KATY MORIARTY, didn't make it again...We extend our sympathy to FRANK CULL on the loss of his mother who passed away in Ireland...Heard from HELEN PALLISTER, retired West Section ticket agent and Inside News reporter. Her grandson, BILL PALLISTER Jr., was graduated from Steinmetz High school in June and is now in training at the Great Lakes Naval Station. He will complete boot camp in November. Helen's granddaughter, PATTIE LYNN, became engaged in May, but no date has been set yet.

- Grace Mounts & Katy Moriarty

NORTH AVENUE -

Paymaster MIKE KOMPANOWSKI and his wife, JOSEPHINE, celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on October 5. They went to Maple Leaf resort, Leach Lake, Minnesota, which is Clerk BOB STACK's sister's resort. They reported the fishing was good...Operator EDWARD MURPHY flew to Ireland, Valentia Island. He went deep sea fishing with his brother, JOHN, who has a ferry service. He visited with his three sisters and a brother. He says they recently made a motion picture there called "Ryan's Daughter", with John Huston...Operator JERRY DUBIN and his wife, GERTRUDE, with their daughter, DEANNA, drove to Lubbock, Texas, to visit his future son-in-law, RONALD HART, who was graduating from Texas Tech university and has a master's degree in psychology... Operator CHARLES LUEPKE and his family visited their summer home at Bowler, Wisconsin. The Indians in this area had a pow wow and Charley, being a blood-brother, joined in. He now has running water and an open-air veranda...Clerk ARTHUR ECKER took a trip to the East Coast and into Canada...Clerk AL (Smiling) RHODE has returned from his vacation, and from what he tells us, he thoroughly enjoyed it...Now it's time for Clerk ED WITEK and his "Mrs." to point the good old dependable Volvo in the direction of Missouri and Arkansas to visit the Ozarks. It's beautiful country, Ed, let's hope it lives up to your expectations...Superintendent WILLIAM MOSER is going to save enough on his airline tickets to Florida that he can take along another passenger. Anybody care to go along with Bill, his "Mrs.", and their lovely daughter, KATHY? Switchboard Operator WALTER BLIX, to whom we are indebted for so much of the news for this column, tells us he'll miss Kathy's voice over the phone more than he'll miss the boss...During Relief Superintendent EDDIE BRODD's vacation, fishing wasn't as good as it should have been, but we're sure they didn't all get away from this expert...Relief Switchboard Operator LOU DRAPP has also gone fishing. Who knows, he may just catch those the boss missed...The only vacation Switchboard Operator WALTER BLIX tells about is his sojourn in Edgewater hospital with all the pretty nurses and nurses' assistants. They managed to get him up and around in time for his daughter, TOMI JEAN's, wedding on August 16. From the looks of the pictures that Wally has been showing everyone, the wedding was about as perfect as one could possibly be. (It's a good thing he shaved off the goatee before he came back to work.) Clerk ED WITEK says the best thing about the newlyweds is that they own a Volkswagen...We received a welcome letter from Pensioner BILL ECHOLS who is well. He is always happy to hear from his old friends... Former Switchboard Operator CHARLEY SCHMIDT calls

LOVELY PATRICIA ANN FEHLHABER, the daughter of JOHN FEHLHABER, was united in marriage on September 12 to BYRON DeLAVAULT. They honeymooned in Hawaii for two weeks and plan to reside in Schiller Park, Illinois, upon their return. John works at the Milwaukee Avenue substation.

in every once in awhile to see that things are going along alright in spite of the fact that he is no longer with us. He tells us he is doing OK and is enjoying his retirement as much as possible. Keep us posted, Charley, we enjoy hearing from you...Pensioner LEO PLUSKOWSKI and his wife, EVELYN, who vacationed out west, stopped in Chicago and Leo visited the depot to say hello to his old friends. ..Pensioner ERNEST BOCK is in West Suburban hospital and is doing well. We hope he will be home soon...On September 18 the annual dinner for the Transit News reporters was held at the M&M Club. I want to thank management for a most enjoyable evening visiting with the other reporters. The dinner was delicious...We extend our sympathy to the Repair Department's STEVE STRAZA and his wife on the loss of their lovely young daughter. It was such a tragic accident and our hearts go out to them. Jesus said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Another place in the Bible says, "Absent from the body, present with the Lord." We hope that the promises of this beloved book will comfort them, as well as Operator JOHN HARTMAN who lost his mother, and the families of Pensioner WITOLD ZUKOWSKI who passed away September 12, and Operator HERBERT RICHMOND who passed away September 15. We send our condolences...Soon the snow will begin to fly and that will mean more difficult driving conditions and longer hours of darkness; the time to be extra careful in driving. It would be nice to put North Avenue at the top of the list for the fewest accidents...Don't forget to give us your news, boys, so we can print it for all your friends to read...I was surprised and happy to receive an award for, "recognition of past achievements, outstanding ability and service to the community and state", from the editorial staff of "Personalities of the West and Midwest."

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

Congratulations are extended to the operators at North Park who were selected for "Employe of the Year" awards. The names of these men are posted on the bulletin board for all to see...Our thanks to Instructor ED SCHWAMB for the grand job he did at North Park while Instructors BILL PARNUM and WALTER STEINBEISS were on their vacations...Operator RICHARD HALLIGAN and his wife, JO, and their prize poodle, Ricky, enjoyed their annual vacation in Florida. Highlights of the trip were visits to the dog tracks

in Miami, Daytona, Sarasota, and the boarding of the pirate ship, "Buccaneer", based at Miami Beach...Operator SAM POSNER and his wife, ETHEL, vacationed at Schwartz's resort in Elkhart, Wisconsin. The Posners enjoyed the boating, swimming, horseback riding, and gained several pounds from the excellent meals that were served...Operator GENE BRUDNEY, SUSAN, CHRISTINE, and their newly-wedded daughter, MARY ANN, and her husband, MIKE MARINO, toured Washington, D.C., on their vacation. The Brudneys were very impressed with the many sights to be seen in the Capital...Operator DAVE ARREGUIN and his wife, THERESA, and their children motored to Mexico City, Mexico, on their vacation. On the agenda were visits to Guadalajara, San Luis, and Padre Island, Texas. Dave pulled his Starcraft tent trailer and drove 5,200 miles on the trip. . . Operator CHESTER DAMIAN and his wife, IRENE, vacationed at New Lisbon, Wisconsin, where Irene's sister, ELLA VITUS, resided. . . Operator ROY THOMPSON and his wife, GENEVIEVE, and their grandson, MIKE HEFT, vacationed at Eagle Lake, Wisconsin. The Thompsons reported the fishing was fair...Operator WALTER UHLEMANN and his wife, LEE, vacationed at Forsyth, Missouri, visiting with Pensioner ART and RUTH MUIR. Highlights of the trip were visits to Table Rock Dam and the School of the Ozarks...Operators RAY BLAA and FRANK WEISHAAR had two wonderful weeks of fishing at Lake Kegonsia, Wisconsin. Ray and Frank reported that the fishing was great...Operator CHARLES SCHOEWER vacationed at Rockford, Illinois, where his parents, Mr. and Mrs. BEN SCHOEWER, reside. Charles and his father did some fishing at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, and had some good strikes... Operator EDGAR NEWTON and his wife, FRANCES, vacationed at Winneconne, Wisconsin. Edgar reports very little luck with the fishing...Operator ROBERT WASHBURN, along with Evanston Bus Operator DAN PASCHAL, spent their vacations at Johnson, Illinois. Robert reports that he purchased some property for his future retirement. . . Operator MAURICE HOWELL and his wife, MARY, vacationed throughout the far west. Highlights of the trip were visits to Denver, Colorado, Las Vegas, Nevada, and Los Angeles and San Diego, California...Operator BILL HODGSON and his wife, LORRIE, spent their vacation in the western states. Highlights of their trip were visits to Colorado Springs, Tucson, Arizona, Nogales, Mexico, Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon, Yellowstone Park, and the Badlands of Dakota. Operator TONY BRUNO and his wife, BARBARA, and their children, MARY ANN, ANTHONY, BETTY, and ANTONETTE, spent their vacation in Wisconsin and Michigan. On the agenda were visits to the Dells and a stop at Reed, Michigan, to visit Mr. and Mrs. PAUL KOMINSKI...Operator ROBERT WASHBURN flew to Cincinnati, Ohio, to visit his daughter, Mrs. CAROLE SPRANGE. Robert spent a day at Coney Island where he viewed the fireworks display and said it is a must...Operator GEORGE VOIGHT retired on October 1. George plans to move to Tucson, Arizona, in the near future where he can enjoy the sunshine all year around...KEITH KURCZEWSKI, the son of Operator ED KURCZEWSKI, was awarded a Jewel Tea company scholarship to attend Western Michigan university. Keith is majoring in marketing and expediting...Operator TED KINDERMAN celebrated his first miss in 33 years with CTA and as a result had to attend a Cub ball game...DONALD, the son of Clerk BOB PETERSON, completed his tour of duty with the United States Army and was happy to return home from Viet Nam...Mrs. EMELIA CIESLA, the wife of Operator BOB CIESLA, surprised him on his recent birthday with a new '70 Oldsmobile Cutlass complete with accessories...Pensioner ELMER PETERSON is now living in his new home in California. Pete's address is 729 Highland street, Escondido, California 92025, where the welcome mat is extended to his many friends...A hearty welcome is extended to Operators O. RAMSEY and A. WADE who have served their military obligations and are happy to be back...Operator BURT SCHWARTZ and his wife, LINDA, became parents for the first time when a son, SAMUEL EDWARD IRWIN, weighing 7 pounds 5 ounces was born on July 3 at Weiss Memorial hospital...Operator EMERY HAYDEN and his wife, MADELINE, became grandparents for the first time when their daughter, Mrs. MADONNA SHORTT, gave birth to a son named RUSSELL FOREST on September 4 at Northwest Community hospital in Arlington Heights, Illinois...Miss MARILYN GUSTAFSON, the daughter of Sanitary Engineer STANLEY and RUTH GUSTAFSON, was married on Saturday, August 8, to Mr. JOSEPH MALLEK at St. Lambert's church in Skokie, Illinois. The reception was held at the Orrington hotel in Evanston and attended by 300 guests. The young couple honeymooned in France, Germany, Denmark, and England. ..JOHN DOLAN, the son of Operator JIM and RITA DOLAN, was married on Friday, September 25, to Miss PATRICIA LESLIE at Mary Seat of Wisdom church in Park Ridge, Illinois. The reception held at the Concord-O'Hare inn was attended by 200 guests. The young couple honeymooned in the Virgin Islands...JAMES ANHALT, the son of Operator FRED and ANN ANHALT, was married on Saturday, September 12, to Miss MERRILEE HEMM at First St. John's Lutheran church. The reception was held at the North Park hotel and was attended by 200 guests. The young couple honeymooned throughout Wisconsin and Minnesota. . . MICHAEL SCHRAMM, the son of Operator HENRY and ELIZABETH SCHRAMM, was married on Saturday, October 17, to Miss DIANE COTTNI at St. Benedict's church. The reception was held at Anton's hall on Lincoln avenue and was attended by 250 guests...Operator ARTURO VALDEZ and his wife, ROSA, and their children vacationed at Monterrey, Mexico, where they visited with their parents. Also on the agenda were visits to Cuernavaca, and Mexico City. Arturo, after inquiring about employment with bus companies in Mexico and finding that they only pay 20 pesos a day, is happy to be back driving in Chicago again...Utility Chauffeur STEVE HERMAN and his wife, HELEN, enjoyed a four-week vacation at their home in Forsyth, Missouri. Steve reports that the trout and bass fishing was excellent. ..Happy anniversaries are extended to: Operator JOHN COSGROVE and his wife, HELEN, their 29th; Operator WILLIAM STEINSPRING and his wife, DOLLY, their 41st;

THIS IS lovely JUNE MILAS, the daughter of Carpenter JOHN MILAS, Skokie Shops, who was united in marriage to CHARLES MALCHIODI on August 1 at St. Viator church. The newlyweds honeymooned in sunny Florida.

Operator LYNN BUTLER and his wife, ANN, their 16th; Operator HILLARD DERENGOWSKI and his wife their 20th, and Superintendent JACK MORRIS and his wife, DOROTHY, celebrated their 41st on August 30 with an open house at their home. A lovely evening was enjoyed by everyone attending...Happy birthdays are extended to the following: Operators RICHARD HALLIGAN, ZEKE JAGST, JIM DOLAN, STANLEY ZALE, ORVILLE MURRAY, McKINLEY DAVENPORT, Instructor GEORGE RELSTAB, Supervisor GEORGE HAND, Mrs. MERVA HAND, Mrs. EVELYN RELSTAB, VIVIAN BAEUCHLER, DENIS LIBERT, DANIEL KOZIOL, and McKINLEY DAVENPORT Jr...The sympathy of the depot is extended to Mrs. MYRTLE HESS and her son, ROBERT, on the loss of their husband and father, Pensioner FRANK HESS...Serviceman GEORGE TOLBERT retired on October 1, and the gang at the garage wishes him many years of leisure living...Serviceman MIKE O'MALLEY went on disability pension September 1...The welcome mat is extended to Repairman JOE JOHNSON who transferred to North Park from 77th. Also to A. HUBBARD who comes to North Park from Beverly as p.m. foreman, and to SAL MARSICO who is now relief foreman at North Park... Best wishes are extended to Night Foreman TERRY McGUIGAN who moved to 69th as assistant day foreman... Foreman CHARLES DUNNE was hospitalized at Augustana hospital, and at this writing is at home recovering very well...Repairman FRANK SCHENDEL is sporting a new '70 Buick Riviera and looking for new worlds to conquer...Enjoying vacations at this writing are Assistant Foreman ANDY KARIOLICH, MIKE JOYCE, TERRY PLUTA, D. SPARKS, ROBERT VANDERMEIR, BILL CANTWELL, BUCK BAKONOWSKI, and ED OLENDER...The sympathy of the garage is extended to Repairman PAUL SCHREVES on the loss of his wife, ANGELINE.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

On September 1 Station Superintendent KENNETH L. MANAUGH retired with 44 years of service. In Mr. Manaugh's own words, he stated that he enjoyed each day and that it was fun working for the CTA. There were a few parties held for him. On August 6 the station clerks held a combined birthday and farewell party. Also, the supervisory staff had a Manaugh and McGOVERN dinner at Petricca's on North avenue. The ticket agents and janitors had a small cake, donated by a few agents, and gave him a gift. We shall all miss Mr. Manaugh. We wish him happiness in his retirement and hope he doesn't forget us...Clerk JIM DOHERTY's daughter, Student Agent BARBARA, and EDWARD COLWELL, instructor, were married on August 22 at St. Andrews with a reception held at Weigelts hall. Best wishes from all your co-workers...Clerk ERWIN HARMON qualified as chief clerk and has been doing an excellent job as acting chief clerk while Chief Clerk ANDY BIANCHINI has been hospitalized in Augustana hospital. We wish Andy a speedy recovery. Erwin is also general manager of the Division 308 softball team and Motorman JOE RAYBURN, Dan Ryan, is the manager. The team took second place in the Grant Park Industrial League. Let's hope and root for first place next year...Belated congratulations to former Motorman JAMES FORTE on qualifying as a North Side clerk...North Side Clerk ROBERT STEWART traveled to and toured Washington, D.C., on his vacation...Chief Foot Collector JOE GOLDBERG and his wife, BEVERLY, celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary on August 28 by

IN A HAPPY mood is Marine Lance Corporal JOHN CHRISTNER who was recently assigned to Embassy guard duty in Saigon. John's mother, HELEN CHRISTNER, is a ticket agent on the West Section.

taking a few days off and traveling to Forsyth, Missouri. Many more happy years to you two...Our condolences to Supervisor FAHEY on the death of his mother in Ireland. Mr. Fahey returned to Ireland for the funeral. Also our condolences to Agent MARY JOHNSON on the loss of her mother and to M. BARRETT on the loss of her mother...We also extend our sympathy to the families of Ticket Agent BETTY CONN and FRANK HESS...Ticket Agent DORIS BUTLER has gone into the assignment office with a permanent appointment. Good luck, Doris!..Agent MINNA KING became a grandmother for the ninth time on June 14 when her son, HARVEY, and his wife presented her with a grandson. Minna now has five granddaughters and four grandsons. Minna also has an uncle, aunt, and cousin visiting her from Denmark...Ticket Agent ANNABELLE DREW and her daughter, PHYLIS, drove 7,500 miles while on vacation. They went to California to meet her sister and then on to Portland, Oregon, where she attended her nephew's graduation from Oregon university. They then drove through the Redwood Forest on to San Francisco. Annabelle said it was the hottest day ever recorded and with no smog one could see for miles. They spent several days at Disneyland and Knotts Berry Farm and then came back to Chicago...Former Student Agent R. CULBERTSON, now a sergeant in the air force, had a surprise visit from CTA Policeman ROBERT CULBERTSON and his wife. Bob presented his dad and mom with a new grandson. Mr. Culbertson and his wife are really happy parents as their son, JOE, who has been stationed in Japan for the past 20 months has been discharged. Best wishes and happiness to you all...Agent EARL STEVENS and his wife recently visited their two sons in California, and I am sorry to report that Earl is now in the Municipal Sanitarium. Our prayers are with you, Earl...Janitor WILLIAM MACLIN had a three-week vacation visiting his family in Alabama...The Thompson Community Singers, of which Ticket Agent SARA SIMMONS is a member, drove to New York where they performed for two benefits; one in Madison Square Garden and the other at Roosevelt Auditorium on Long Island for a youth rally. It is wonderful to know we still have people who donate their talents for the good of mankind. Keep up the good work, Sara...On Saturday, September 19, at 5:37 p.m., JOHN McCONVILLE, Ravenswood motorman, made the last stop at the Grand and Franklin station. This was the last day of service for this station...On September 3 JAMES QUON became the proud father of an eight pound baby girl. Congratulations to the happy family...Agent DOREEN HORN, who was in the hospital and is now home, wants to express her thanks to the many friends who called and sent

FOUR GENERATIONS of the KOSCIENSKI family are depicted here as the proud father, EDWARD Jr. looks at his son, KEVIN, and his newborn daughter, KIMBERLY ANN, on the laps of their grandfather, EDWARD Sr., and great-grandmother, THERESA. Ed Jr. formerly worked in the Photographic Department and his father, Ed Sr., is a janitor at North Avenue Station.

cards and flowers while she was hospitalized. We wish her a speedy recovery...On September 24 North Side Clerk R. HENDRICKX and his wife celebrated 40 years of marriage. Congratulations and best wishes to you both...Howard Street Clerk JOHN GORDON and his wife spent a two-week vacation at League City, Texas, near Houston and also at Galveston. John once lived in Galveston and they have friends to visit there...Agent ELEANOR SHALLBETTER vacationed in the New England States and Cape Cod and spent three days in New York seeing the sights...Supervisor BOB JANZ made a trip to Little Rock and Texarkana, Arkansas, to ride on the only mixed passenger and freight steam train in the country--the Reader Line...Agent BETTY FIFE and her husband, ART, spent the Labor day weekend at the Playboy club at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. What a weekend of leisure...We wish a speedy recovery to Agent WARDEN MARKS and to Agent ROSE MARY KELLY. Warden has been in the hospital and is now at home. Get well quick both of you as your co-workers miss you...On August 13 Student Agent JIM MORLEY was surprised by fellow Agents P. RAGO, M. RAGO, and P. J. McKENNA who took Jim to the Pump Room for his birthday party. It was his first time there and they sure made him happy...On September 15 Student Agents J. MORLEY, M. RAGO, B. WETZEL, and J. GAM took MARGO MORRISON out to celebrate her birthday. Margo is going to spend 11 days in Florida in the sun and then take a seven-day cruise to Freeport in the Bahamas and also to Mexico...Clerk ANDRE CROUT was in a car accident and was hospitalized. He is now back at work. We hope all is OK with Andre...Clerk RED LOEBAKKA is sure racking up the miles on his new camper. Red and his family had 16 days out west in the Tetons and other national parks. Red says he sure wishes he would have traveled sooner, as it is great...We extend a welcome to E. J. HEATTER, who is now our new North Side station superintendent. Mr. Heatter formerly was on the West Section. Also to D. P. LEMM who is assistant station superintendent and to W. J. ROONEY on becoming assistant station superintendent at Kimball Station. Also we are sorry to lose T. D. BOYLE who was at Kimball and is now station superintendent on the West Side at Jefferson Park... Retired Ticket Agent LOVETTE BENTLEY wrote recently and said she would enjoy hearing from other North Section agents. Her address is P.O. Box 9374, Phoenix, Arizona 85020...Dear Fellow Workers: Did you look for your name in the news? If you didn't see anything about yourselves, it's your fault. Give me the news and you'll read it. Leave your news items at Howard and Kimball.

- Tina Henke

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

Baseball scouts, keep your eyes open as we may have a future prospect or two for you. MICHAEL, the son of FRENCHIE ELLIS, is a catcher on the Dodgers in the Maple Park little league. His team won the championship for the 1970 season with a record of 11 wins and 3 losses. He was voted as the all-star catcher for the second consecutive year. Next year he will be playing on his father's pony league team. Frenchie's other son, LAWRENCE, played left field for the Braves who finished in fourth place. This was his first year in the little league. Congratulations to the boys and to their father...Another proud father is HENRY REDMAN. His son, CHARLES A., is a crew chief in the U.S. Air Force and was named soldier of the month in Viet Nam for the month of September. He is 19 years old and will be in the service for another three years. We wish him continued success and the best of luck...We would like to extend a belated welcome to JOSEPH T. LYNCH, information clerk, who transferred from the Schedule Department...CHARLES BATTERSON, his wife, DOLORES, and sisters-in-law Mrs. GREIG and Miss LEHMAN, drove to North St. Paul, Minnesota, where they vacationed for two weeks visiting with Mrs. Greig's daughter and seven grandchildren. They did some fishing at White Bear Lake, but didn't have any luck. Charlie was back in the saddle again with his ten gallon hat and boots. He took some of the children horseback riding and said they had a wonderful time as Batterson's posse rode again. JOE LYNCH, his wife, PHYLLIS, and daughter, KELLI, spent their vacation at Gordon, Wisconsin. The weather was beautiful and the fishing was good. They also visited with Retiree GEORGE WYERS for a few days...This month we have two babies to tell you about, and both of them wear pink. MARGARET ARCHER is quite proud and happy as her first grandchild was born on August 26. SUSAN LYNETTE weighed 5 pounds 10 ounces and is also the first child of Margaret's son, ROBERT COLLINS, and his wife, MARILYN, who live in Denver, Colorado. GEORGE and MADGE RILEY are also very proud grandparents. Their fifth grandchild, WENDY MICHELL ROMAN, came into this world on September 18 at 11:21 a.m. weighing 7 pounds 10 ounces. The happy parents are Mr. Riley's daughter, PAT, and her husband, BILL, who now have three children. Congratulations to the parents and grandparents of the newborns...We are sorry to hear that RUDY HAASE is off sick and in Holy Cross hospital. We hope that his stay in the hospital is short and his recovery very speedy...On September 14, GEORGE A. ROESING, who retired from the CTA as assistant superintendent of operating stations, passed away in Clearwater, Florida, where he made his home. Besides loving transportation he was a proficient writer, and did write several books. His many friends will miss him but not forget him. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Roesing family. His son, ROBERT, is presently working as superintendent of agents and janitors on the South Section...On September 18, management again held a dinner for the Transit News scribes. I had a good time and I'm sure everyone else did too. I want to extend my thanks for the very nice gift we received and also for the dinner.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

TOM LYONS, his wife, HELEN, and son, DAVID, went camping for two weeks. They went to the Smoky Mountains and camped at the Elkmont camp grounds. They climbed to the top of Mt. Lecompte which took them five to six hours and stayed overnight in a cabin that only had a wood burning stove and no electricity. The Appalachian trail was

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

IGNAZIO ABBINANTE, 84, Track,
Emp. 3-1-09, Died 8-29-70
JOSEPH ARTURE, 79, Track,
Emp. 3-14-23, Died 8-19-70
CLYDE BEAR, 72, Police,
Emp. 3-18-29, Died 8-10-70
CHARLES W. BREITER, 80, Devon,
Emp. 9-2-25, Died 8-29-70
JOVO BUBALO, 87, North Section,
Emp. 3-19-21, Died 8-10-70
WILLIAM R. CHRISTENSEN, 85, North Section,
Emp. 5-22-12, Died 7-27-70
JAMES J. CRAIG, 71, North Park,
Emp. 9-19-29, Died 8-15-70
STANELY D. FORSYTHE, 70, Engineering,
Emp. 2-12-24, Died 8-15-70
JOHN M. HILL, 63, Electrical,
Emp. 8-27-48, Died 8-6-70
JOHN W. KALUSA, 75, Devon,
Emp. 1-27-20, Died 7-28-70
FRANK H. KIEFFER, 73, 77th Street,
Emp. 9-22-27, Died 8-12-70
ALFRED O. LUEBECK, 70, 77th Street,
Emp. 10-14-25, Died 8-24-70
RICHARD McCANN, 89, Lawndale,
Emp. 6-13-13, Died 8-14-70
LUKE MURPHY, 87, Kedzie,
Emp. 1-23-24, Died 8-22-70
FRED W. NEIDHOLD, 79, 52nd Street,
Emp. 3-19-24, Died 8-14-70
JOHN O'CONNOR, 80, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 4-20-20, Died 8-20-70
FRANCISCO PERCIABOSCO, 74, Building,
Emp. 4-10-34, Died 8-20-70
AUGUST SCHWARTZ, 71, Beverly,
Emp. 1-3-44, Died 7-24-70
MARGARET R. SHERHART, 65, Assignment,
Emp. 12-18-46, Died 8-3-70
RAFFAELE VENTURA, 70, Track & Structures,
Emp. 3-5-25, Died 8-31-70
EMIL VON KAENEL, 81, Garfield Park,
Emp. 3-1-15, Died 7-31-70
CHARLES J. WARNCKE, 90, North Section,
Emp. 6-26-08, Died 8-6-70
JOSEPH WIESMEYER, 66, Forest Glen,
Emp. 10-18-20, Died 8-26-70
GEORGE J. ZELINKO, 73, North Park,
Emp. 2-18-27, Died 8-7-70

where they did a lot of hiking, and also went to the Grotto falls and Cades cove. Tom took quite a few pictures, including some of the bears they saw. Another stop was made at Berreia college in Kentucky where they saw the handwork of the students. It was a wonderful trip, but too short.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

We would like to welcome A. C. WORKS, a new service truck chauffeur who transferred from 69th Street as a bus operator. Good luck in your new job.

(Transportation Instruction) -

And now for the golf news of the day. On September 10, THOMAS STIGLIC and RAYMOND PRYOR (Instruction Department) gave WARD CHAMBERLAIN and FRANK WSOL (station superintendents) another chance to beat them golfing. The rematch was held at the Oak Hills country club. After playing 36 holes the superintendents still couldn't beat Instruction. I'm sure if you ask, Tom and Ray will give you another chance to tee up and try your luck again... On August 16, RAYMOND W. PRYOR's son, RAYMOND Jr., exchanged marriage vows with MARY PATRICIA NUGENT at Christ the King Catholic church. Afterwards they had a reception at the Golden Age restaurant. The newlyweds spent their honeymoon in Canada. Congratulations and best of luck to you.

- Colette Szczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Hello, everyone, in this fall season! G. S. GRAYBIEL, superintendent of Purchasing, Specifications and Stores, visited with relatives in Kentucky. His smile indicated he was very pleased with his short stay there. We're glad you had a very nice time, Mr. Graybiel...At this time, we wish to express our condolences to Mrs. LEE DeSUTTER, Purchasing Department, on the passing of her brother...MARY BETH MURRAY, Purchasing, had a grand time on a one-week Caribbean cruise. She went to the gambling casino in Freeport, Bahamas; went shopping in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, and took a tour through San Juan, Puerto Rico. She also visited Haiti... MARY RACZON, Stores Department, was recently transferred into the Purchasing Department. Congratulations on your new duties. Mary, by the way, took a 12-day trip viewing the scenic beauty of California. Her first stop was Anaheim. From there she went to Los Angeles and explored Disneyland. She was lucky as she arrived there shortly before it was closed down by the hippies. The remainder of her trip was spent in San Francisco, which she says she loved... JOANNE FERLITO and MARYANN JOBARIS, temporary employes in the Stores Department, are leaving us for the summer. Also leaving are ED BOLE, VINCENT ALLEN, GERALD PORCARO, MICHAEL O'CONNOR, MARK PLATT, WILLIAM PLATT Jr., and WILLIAM UNWIN. These young men worked for the Stores Department in various locations. Thanks to all of you for the fine jobs you performed, and we hope to see you all next summer...KATHY McATEER, Stores Department, and her husband, JIM, have just moved into their new home. They sure need the extra room, for Kathy will become a mommy early next year. Congratulations!..CATHY RASCHICK, secretarial steno in the Stores Department, spent a lovely vacation in California and Hawaii. The first four days of her vacation were spent in San Francisco. She took a cable car ride and visited Chinatown. Her next seven days were spent in Los Angeles, which she says she loved the most. She viewed Disneyland and Universal Studios. She didn't mind swimming in her hotel pool, but she became annoyed every day when she had to go through the boiler room to get there! Her final week was in Honolulu, soaking up the sun. She ran into RUSS and RUTH WARNSTEDT. Russ works in Public Information in the Mart. Cathy claims she was very entertained when Mr. Warnstedt was called on stage to do a hula. However, she had her chance, also, for she was called on stage to do a hula in a restaurant in Los Angeles. My, my, we really have some "hippies" working for the CTA!..JOSEPH SIMPSON, stock clerk I, Stores, South, is in the hospital. We

PICTURED HERE is Private EDWARD W. PSIODA Jr., the son of EDWARD W. PSIODA Sr., emergency lineman I, Electrical Department, who recently completed his basic training at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, and is now stationed in Thailand.

hope that Joe will be out in no time at all...JACKIE HUIZENGA, typist I for Stores, South, was wed on September 5 to TOM McLEAN in St. Catejas church. The reception was at the VFW Hall in Midlothian. They spent their brief honeymoon at the Wisconsin Dells. We wish this happy couple the best of luck...BERNARD FITZPATRICK and his family spent their vacation in Las Vegas and Colorado. Berny is a stock clerk II at South Shops...PATRICK HARRISON, laborer at South Shops, returned from a two-month vacation in Ireland. He spent most of his time visiting his brother in County Claire, Ireland. While there, he decided to invest in his brother's business--breeding greyhounds for racing. That's what we call giving your money to the "dogs."..STANLEY HALL, assistant divisional storekeeper at Storeroom 48, South, vacationed in the Rocky Mountains National Park area. He and his wife took a jeep ride through the mountains and had a steak dinner on top of the mountains. I can imagine why you ate steak when you got up there. Hungry, huh? From there they traveled to Moab in Utah and on to the Grand Canyon. He then decided to visit Old Mexico and Carlsbad, New Mexico. He certainly accomplished a great deal in two weeks...GEORGE MIKOTA and ALFRED JACKSON, Stores Department, spent their vacations painting. Mr. Jackson even made a dog house. Mr. Mikota, however, only painted one half of his front porch--he was rained out. He became very disillusioned with Weatherman John Coleman as he reported no rain for that week...CHRIST LAMPROS has been smiling more these days. He has reason to--his son, JIM, returned home safely from Viet Nam. Jim extended his tour of duty for two months in order to receive an early discharge from the army. Welcome back, Jim. Christ is a laborer for Stores, South Shops...GRANVILLE CHEATHAM recently became stock clerk I in the Stores Department. Granville was formerly a laborer in the same department. Congratulations!..We are sorry to see PAUL SUNDBLAD, stock clerk I for Stores, South, leave us. He has been working in the Mart for the past several months; and I know we will all miss him. However, we do wish you luck on your new position as apprentice bus and truck mechanic at South Shops. ..On Friday, September 18, a dinner was held in the M&M Club in the Merchandise Mart, in honor of the Transit News reporters. Mr. GEORGE DeMENT, chairman of the board, thanked all the reporters for their fine jobs. A good time was had by all; and after the dinner, BOB HEINLEIN, editor of the magazine, gave a short talk along with his boss, F. C. KNAUTZ, superintendent of Public and Employe Relations. The evening ended on a very happy note when all the reporters were presented with a little gift--a travel alarm clock...We would like to end by saying if anyone has news to report, please feel free to give JOHN GILL and CATHY RASCHICK a call. We're located in the Mart. We would like Purchasing, Specifications and Stores to be the best section in the magazine, and, to date, you've helped make it so. Keep up the good work and let us hear from you soon.

- Cathy Raschick & John Gill

RAPID TRANSIT MAINTENANCE TERMINALS -

Congratulations to JUDY and CHUCK HARRINGTON, Congress, on the birth of their daughter, CATHY LISA, on September 3. The little show stopper weighed 6 pounds $8\frac{1}{2}$ ounces and was 20 inches long. Mommy, baby, and even daddy are doing fine...NEIL McGILL, Wilson, sure has some fine fish stories to tell after his vacation to Ireland... Welcome to A. TUCKNOTT from all the boys at Kimball... Good luck to BILL McHUGH, Kimball, on his hunting expedition. Bill is out to bag some deer with a bow and arrow...Best wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to ALLEN RAHN, the son of BOB RAHN, Kimball...W. McKAY, Kimball, took a trip south to visit his son, JIM, who is a teacher in Memphis, Tennessee. . . FRANK FAWCETT, Kimball, did some fancy driving on a recent five-day, five-state tour...L. FIELD, Kimball, is a proud papa again. This time his wife, PAT, presented him with a baby girl, ANGELA JEANETTE. Congratulations to all...Indian summer is a wonderful time for a vacation as J. McPARTLAN, J. WIERCHIOCH, A. RUANE, M. RUSSIN, E. STAMBORSKI, and A. ODROWSKI discovered...Welcome to A. MITCHELL, J. HAYES, and R. STYBURSKI, new car servicemen, and R. STOWELL and B. BEVIS, new repairmen at Wilson... Glad to see J. ORANGE, Wilson, is off the sick list...Good luck to summer workers M. O'BRIEN, J. CANNON, and M. KRISTMAN, Dan Ryan, as they return to school...A hearty welcome to F. HOLTON and E. R. JOHNSON from all the boys at Dan Ryan...Enjoying a vacation of rest and relaxation are W. THORNTON, Q. BONDS, J. KOGER, P. LOVELESS, and R. SMITH, Dan Ryan...Sorry to hear that M. BRINSON, 61st, is in Mount Sinai hospital after suffering a slight heart attack. The report is that "Iron" Brinson is doing fine and is well on the road to recovery...Our regrets to the family of Pensioner J. WILLIAMS, 61st, who passed away on September 11...Those enjoying an early fall vacation are F. NEALY, L. CARR, G. PLEASANT, F. LEWIS, A. LAURAS, Y. PATE, and F. STEEN, 61st...Best of luck to CHARLES NEVELS, Congress, who enlisted in the military service. Stop in for a visit on your furlough, Chuck... Enjoying the last of the warm vacation weather were A. DIGIANFILIPPO, L. COLLINS, J. HENNELLY, G. DAVIS, N. BENSON, J. BUTZEN, J. HENDERSON, J. O'CONNOR, M. O'MALLEY, J. HUNT, B. SMITH, P. LAKICH, H. FINLEY, J. LOCKE, and W. BRIGHT, Wilson...CTA American Legion Post No. 1216 and the American Legion Auxiliary held a joint installation of officers at Fort Dearborn hotel on October 11. See next month's copy for a report on the new officers.

- Ray Brzezek

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

Mr. and Mrs. EDWARD JOYCE celebrated 33 years of wedded bliss on August 21, and Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH LAZZARA celebrated 42 years of wedded bliss on October 7. Congratulations to the happy couples...JOE BILLIS be-

came a grandfather for the second time when his daughter, LINDA KOKOSKA, gave birth to a baby boy. ED JURIC became a grandfather for the second time when his daughter gave birth to a baby girl, LISA ANN, who was born on September 15. J. KAREL's daughter gave birth to a baby boy. Congratulations to the mothers and grandparents...STEVE LAWLOR came back from his vacation in St. Petersburg, Florida, with pictures of the new beautiful house he purchased there...Mr. and Mrs. JOE DeGRAZIA and Mr. and Mrs. FRANK CORBETT 747nd it to Europe for a three-week vacation...Superintendent LEROY DUTTON spent his vacation at home cementing...Retiree LAURA SCHRECKE and her sister spent a delightful few weeks in the Hawaiian Islands...Sincere sympathy of the Schedule Department is extended to CAROLYN O'BRIEN, our former typist, and her children on the sudden death of her husband recently.

- Kathryn Batina

SOUTH SECTION -

Our Transit News annual reporters dinner was held on September 18 at the M&M Club in the Merchandise Mart and all of us had a wonderful time and dinner. A beautiful gift of a traveling clock was given to each reporter, which I just treasure. At this time I wish to thank management and the Transit News staff for this wonderful dinner... There have been some changes on the South Section. Our office at 61st Street has moved to Ashland Avenue as of September 1, and Station Superintendent MICHAEL O'CONNOR, Chief Clerk JIM MARTINEK, and myself have moved to our new quarters. As you all know, I have been at 61st Street for (I won't say how long) years, so this is like starting a new adventure for me. We like the new office very much and it is air-conditioned. Also, I'm now reunited with my better half, ROLAND, who had picked the Ashland office assignment clerk job in July...The other changes that were made are Assistant Superintendent JOSEPH TVRDIK has moved from Ashland to the 61st Street office, Assistant Superintendent JAMES WALSH has the PM at Ashland now instead of 95th Street. Also, farewell to Assistant Superintendent DON LEMM who was transferred to Howard Street. Good luck, Don, on your new assignment. Congratulations to ROBERT DESVIGNES who was appointed assistant superintendent at 95th Street, and hello and welcome to JOHN TAGLER who was appointed relief station superintendent...Much good luck to Yard Foreman JOHN LEMKE who went on disability pension September 1. John had been on the sick list for several months and we all hope that his health keeps improving... Motorman ED O'HARE is vacationing in Ireland where he is enjoying the beautiful countryside...Congratulations to Motorman GREGORY WILLIAMS who was promoted to yard foreman on August 23...A hearty welcome to some of our newly hired trainmen: NORRIS CARR, HERBERT JACKSON, ERNEST McLEARY, STANLEY HOWARD, DAVID NELUMS, JAMES EDGERTON, ALVIN HAFFORD, WALTER PEEPLES, RALPH TRIMBLE, ROBERT NORINGTON, LEOTHA PATTON, ROBBIE RICHARDS, PERCY WILLIAMS, ALPHONSE JACKSON, ROBERT THORNTON, and BRAXTON ATKINSON. Also welcome to Janitor CHARLES WILLIAMSON and re-hired agents INEZ WADLINGTON and CORRINE DALMUS. Transferred from the Surface Division to agents are CHARLES LAUGHLIN and THORNTON POOLE...Foot Collector TOM BRAGGS and his wife, Agent CARETTA, drove to Los Angeles and San Diego and had a wonderful time taking in all the sights including Disneyland.

THIS HAPPY bride and groom are Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD JOHNSON who were united in holy matrimony on September 12 at Beautiful Savior Lutheran church and honeymooned at Niagara Falls and in Canada. The bride is the former NANCY HAGEMEYER, stenographer in Traffic Planning.

..Agent ANN O'CONNOR, who had been on the sick list, went on disability pension August 1, and all her friends, co-workers, and passengers at the 61st Street station will miss her. Everyone wishes Ann a return to good health real soon...The Agents Pension Club held their fall dinner and get-together at the Beverly Woods restaurant on September 20. We had a different room this time which was nice and cozy. We all had a good time. It was nice to see Mrs. FRED GRONEMEYER, the wife of Motorman GRONEMEYER, out and around after a long bout of illness, and Yard Foreman JOHN LEMKE, who recently went on disability pension, looking much improved. The family-style dinner was delicious, but hubby, ROLAND, forgot to take a "doggie bag" for some chicken. Our pensioners looked marvelous, as usual, including Retired Agents MARCELLA BITTERLIN, CECELIA MORAN, CATHERINE COLLINS, HAZEL DUNN, KAREN FRIDDLE, MARY CARSON, SARAH McEVOY, and GRACE (Griffin) WEBER, Retired Supervisors ED MUNRO and BOB BROWN, Retired Towermen PAT HICKEY and LEONARD DeGROOT, Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS, and many more. It was also delightful to see former president of Division 308 JOHN BURNS out and around on crutches after having his leg in a cast for six weeks after he was struck by an auto. John reports that the leg is progressing nicely...Shopman BILL SPARKS was grinning from ear to ear when he told us about the birth of his daughter, BECKY SUE, born on August 23 weighing 7 pounds...Good luck to Janitor WILLIE STEVENS who has gone into military service for three years...Supervisor TOM KILL and his wife are vacationing in Europe where they are taking in all the sights of Germany, Stockholm, Rome, and France. Doesn't that sound like a dream vacation?..Our sincere sympathy goes out to Retired Agent HAZEL DUNN whose sister-in-law, who lived with her, passed away recently...Congratulations to Yard Foreman JOHNNIE TOLSON whose daughter, CHEKITAH, was married to CALVIN MOORE in Ascension church on August 8. Calvin is in the army. The happy couple honeymooned in Hawaii...We were saddened to hear that Retired Superintendent of Operating Stations GEORGE ROESING passed away in Clearwater, Florida. He was a fine man. Our deepest sympathy goes out to his son, Superintendent of Agents and Janitors BOB ROESING, and to all the Roesing family...Congratulations are in order for Motorman ALEX KOMIS and his wife who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on August 26...Some more passenger commendations have come in for Agent JUANITA ROSEBAR for being courteous and helpful to her passen-

gers; Motorman CHARLES SPEARS for helping a passenger find a lost purse, and to Conductor ROBERT NEALY for finding a lost article... Instructor WILLIE MANN is mighty proud of his two sons, MICHAEL, who served one year in Viet Nam and who has one more year to serve, and EVERETT, who worked as a part-time agent on the South Section this summer and is now attending Northern Illinois university in DeKalb... Vice-president of Division 308 CHARLES LOUGHRAN is enjoying a nice vacation in his beloved Ireland...Received a nice call from Retired Agent MAE MURGATROYD who is getting along fine on pension and wishes to say "hello" to all her old friends...Had a nice visit at Ashland with Retired Conductor JOSEPH SCHUMACHER who is in town with his wife from their home in Long Beach, California, for a few weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Schumacher celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on September 27 with a dinner and reception for 50 guests' at Jacy's restaurant. They were married September 29, 1920, and moved to Phoenix, Arizona, in 1958 when Joseph took his pension. They are now living at the American Gold Star home in Long Beach, California, since 1966. They are the parents of two children and have four grandchildren. Their son lost his life in New Guinea during World War II. Our heartiest congratulations to a swell couple... At this writing Motorman EDWARD TORMEY, who is on the sick list and had been in the hospital, is now home recuperating. Here's hoping, Ed, for a speedy recovery and return to work.

- Verna Hartney

69TH STREET -

S. SCILLATO really fixed up the box puller's shack. It now has all the comforts of home. W. YEATMAN is the stationary engineer. Bill said that HANK RISCH was going to pick the box puller job until he found out that he would have to bend from the waist down and not just from the neck...R. F. HORNING is getting fat and sassy working a ten hour night bus on Western...I don't know if the haircuts B. PULICK gives himself are improving or not. Why doesn't someone let him practice?..M. A. ENSWORTH is going on pension. We will certainly miss him, especially those of us who came from the Cottage Grove barn. G. R. ALLAN took his pension October 1. R. H. HAMMERSCHMIDT and J. R. DAVIDSON enjoyed the cake that everyone brought to celebrate the occasion. Allan even got a kiss from the girls on the corner. May you both have many happy years and please keep in touch...We were sorry to hear that the wife of JOE HAUG, formerly of the credit union, has been sick. Let's hear from you, Joe... RICH CAULEY, retired operator, was shot in the head during a holdup at 63rd and Ashland. He was recovering the last time I heard... JOHN D. GOTAUTAS, who worked at the Cottage Grove barn for 34 years and retired while working at 77th Street in 1956, says hello to all his friends. He is a partner in a tap on the corner of 73rd and Kedzie...WILSON attended the 30th reunion of his national guard unit in El Paso, Texas, and met a lot of his old buddies from World War II...RICHARDSON is still on the sick list after suffering a heart attack. SUMMERS is now home and doing fine. MARTIN came up to pick and he looked good. A. JOZA is back working and said his feet are fine but he has to wear white sox now...Topping our sick list at this time is GENE HOWE who had both knee caps removed. His son, TERRY, had a similar operation and both were in casts for about six weeks and are now doing exercises to strengthen their legs. They call Gene's wife, LOUISE, "Florence Nightengale", and she has their bedrooms set up like a hospital room. He says hello to all and that he likes Meister Brau by the six-pack... Retired Superintendent E. C. TOCCI said that over 900 CTA men (active and retired) took part in the 52nd annual retreat at Notre Dame this year... BARNEY BECKER looked over the real estate in Hawaii on his vacation... ART LIPPHARDT went down to Florida to see if the worms for fishing are bigger there. DAVIDSON is taking his trailer and heading for Arizona. I might go to either the Ozarks or the Smokies...P. ALESSI had his car stolen but was lucky to have it found shortly after with only a few things missing...We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to HARRY RONS on the loss of his sister...J. W. HARDY Jr. was only on the job a few days when he was taken ill and died. To his family we wish to express our sympathy...I wish to thank J. HENNESSY for the nice card he sent me from the Wisconsin Dells while he was on vacation...I wish to thank CTA management for the nice dinner and travel alarm clock that was given at the reporter's banquet...JIM AHERN wishes to extend his sympathy to the families of MARTIN GRIFFIN on the loss of his sister; to TED NIEZABITOWSKI on the loss of his father, and to JOHN McFALL who formerly worked at 69th and passed away recently...RAY SCHEID went fishing up in Wisconsin. BENNY BUTKIEWICZ, ED SMOLENSKI, and CARL REESE Jr. also are vacationing. We hope they all enjoy themselves and come back safe and sound...On the sick list at this time are BRYANT GRANT, BERNIE McBRIDE, and BILL LORENZEN. We wish them all a speedy recovery...A pleasant stay at 69th is wished TERRY McGUIGAN as assistant foreman. Good luck to TELLIS WALKER who transferred to Archer... CHARLIE SMITH paid us a visit and is doing fine. He was an operator and fire inspector for many years... To all, drive and work safely.

- Arthur P. Buesing

SKOKIE SHOPS -

WALLY ONYSIO, shopman, is sporting a new Ford Torino. Nice going, Wally. Wally and his wife and daughter enjoyed a trip to Louisville, Kentucky, to watch their son, WALT, play ball. Walt is a pitcher...WESLEY WILSON, laborer, is also going around in a new Ford Fairlane 500... EDWARD MAY, electrical worker, and his wife, ALYCE, a clerk at Skokie Shops, are enjoying a nice vacation in Florida... THOMAS HOEY, electrical worker, and his wife, ANNE, are enjoying the western states for a nice vacation. ..Enjoying a cruise on the southern highways are ROBERT BINNIE, electrical worker, and his wife, CAROL...DENNY WINNICK; material clerk, has transferred to the job of shopman II. Good luck, Denny, and we will all miss you... CATHERINE ANN HEGARTY, clerk at Skokie Shops, is back to work after a week of suffering with a head and chest cold... HARVEY (Moe) WILLIAMS, divisional engineer, is out to give the fish two weeks of trouble. Hope you enjoy some luck, Moe...THOMAS SLATTERY, upholsterer, and his wife, HELEN, a clerk-typist in Storeroom 42, are enjoying a vacation in the north and western states. They both enjoy camping out on their vacations...Retired Superintendent of Shops and Terminals LESTER REICHARD enjoyed a luncheon with some of his former co-workers from Skokie Shops...THEODORE NIENAUBER, retired engineer of Skokie Shops, paid us a visit to say hello to some of his former friends and co-workers. Nice seeing you, Ted...

EDWARD KENNEDY, carpenter, at this writing is in the hospital for a knee operation. Good luck, Ed...Again this year the Transit News reporters were treated to a lovely evening at the M&M Club. A wonderful time and dinner was enjoyed by all. Transit Board Chairman G. L. DeMENT gave a nice talk before leaving for prior commitments. Dr. GEORGE IRWIN, retired medical consultant, was present and gave a nice speech. He is going to continue with his health column. To my surprise, I was chosen along with Dr. Irwin for having the longest continuous monthly column since 1962. I could hardly believe it. We owe this nice evening to our editor, ROBERT HEINLEIN, who planned it all with the aid of his staff. Thanks a lot to all of you.

- Everett E. England

WEST SECTION -

After a couple of months of not writing a column, here we go again. It is difficult to write when no one sends in any news, so please give us a little help...REDMOND McGOVERN, one of our finest, went on pension August 1. We all wish him the best of luck. Being on pension must be really something, for I saw Mac a month after retirement and he seems to have shed ten years. He looked as if he was only 40...STEVE KOZMA is leaving October 1 on pension. Steve and his wife, BETTY, are building a new home in Florida. Now he will be able to play cards with DAVE ARNOLD who lives close by. ART JAHNS also lives close by, so there will be a lot of CTA talk. So good luck to Steve and Betty and may they have many years of health and happiness...Now I have to report the sad news. The unexpected death of CLARENCE JONES has really sorrowed all of us. It touched me deeply for I considered Clarence one of my dearest friends. To his wife and children, we on Lake Street extend our deepest sympathy. One of our nicest clerks, E. PFANNKUCHE, lost his dear wife recently after a long illness. We extend our condolences to the whole family. Another good friend, TOMMY KING, passed away, and we know that the carhouse will never be the same. He didn't feel too good the last six months, so there wasn't much kidding around. I'm sure I will miss our harassing each other. To his wife and children we all send our deepest sympathy. While at Tom's wake, we met our first superintendent, FRANK BOLAND. He looked like a million and was feeling as chipper as ever. There were also three lovely ladies there who are on pension, and all I've got to say is, I wish I was ten years younger. You want to know who they are? Well, okay, CATHERINE COYNE, MARY FLEMINC, and VERONICA NICHOLS. They looked oh, so pretty. I hope my wife doesn't read this...This summer the carbouse had a couple of visitors from Florida, ART JAHNS and FRANK CARD. There really must be a fountain of youth down there as they looked great. It was nice having them visit us, and more pensioners should do the same as we would like to see more of you...Congratulations to Motorman AL CLARK and his lovely wife on the 15th month of marriage. They celebrate every month, which is great. And who said it wouldn't last...If anyone sees TOM PATTERSON, tell him I need him as it's grape crushing time and I need his big feet...My boss, LOU PAYNE, is in New York on vacation and left me to write this column alone, so let it rain in New York...By now everyone has seen ART NEWMAN in his new uniform--he looks like a fashion plate. I hever knew the old man was that cute... There has been a change in superintendents again, so just when I didn't have to laugh at JOHN FLYNN's jokes they changed him. We hated to see Mr. Flynn go, but I am sure our new superintendent, TOM BOYLE, will continue the Lake Street good luck of having the best...I will leave you now and I hope you weren't bored. What do you want for free.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

77TH STREET -

I would like to offer my apologies for not writing a column for the last issue of the Transit News, but at the time the issue went to press I was on vacation. Your scribe will try not to miss any more deadlines in the future...Operator FAMOUS HOOKS receives the credit for planting the beautiful flowers which we see in the planters in front of the station. Our thanks, Operator Hooks...Operator FRANK PARKER's son, FRANK Jr., has enrolled at Southern Illinois university in Carbondale, Illinois. He is a recent graduate of Harlan High school...LARRY MORROW, the son of Operator and Mrs. RICHARD MORROW, is a student at Culver-Stockton college in Canton, Missouri. Your scribe's daughter, DENISE, is also enrolled at Culver...Good luck to all the young people who have returned to their respective classes and schools, and may they all have a profitable, rewarding year...The 77th Street bowling league is seeking new members--50 new bowlers are needed. The league will bowl at Palisade Bowl, 11550 South Halsted street. If any of you fellows are interested in organizing bowling teams, contact Secretary BAILEY...Some of the operators are taking off to the woods in search of big game. Operators DICK LANE, C. J. WATKINS, and T. E. PORTER will be traveling to the "Big Sky Country." They will be in Wyoming in October. Good luck, fellows, I like my venison steaks rare...Sorry to learn that Instructor ALVIN WHITE suffered a broken ankle as a result of an accident. Some guys really go to extremes in order to get out of doing a little work...Mrs. ELOISE HEAD, the wife of Operator EDWARD HEAD, was in the hospital recently for a checkup...While Operator and Mrs. CLAUDE BURNS were touring and vacationing in the East, their daughter, CLAUDETTE, was vacationing in Colorado Springs, Colorado. She visited her brother who is in the service and stationed there...Operator HARRY CARTER has returned from his tour of the Orient and says Hong Kong is really a place to see...DEBORAH JONES, the daughter of Operator ULYSSES JONES, celebrated her 19th birthday on September 18. Her parents celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on September 24. Your reporter and his little "Mrs." celebrated their 23rd wedding anniversary on September 7. Mr. and Mrs. Jones also spent the first part of their vacation at Lake Geneva with the other "big spenders", namely, the KENNARDS and the OWENS. Mrs. Jones, your husband is still talking about the bunnies...Mrs. DOYLE, the wife of Mechanic JOHN DOYLE, recently gave a birthday party for John and their son, MICHAEL. John's natal day was September 19, and little Michael's birthday was September 20. Michael also answers to the name of "Michael Darling", and a good guess would be that his grandmother pinned that name on him. John has two other children, JOHN Jr., who is 5 years old, and LINDA, who is now 3... Fellow operators, we have not had free coffee lately. How about breaking our accident and complaint pars for September.

- Eleosie Gresham

IT'S WITHIN YOUR GRASP-

..... DON'T FUMBLE IT !

(See "Safest Year," page 2)

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Keeler Wins ISC Award With Record Score

(Story on page 3)

Ten CTAers Qualify For Operations Control Assignments

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT instructors and supervisors recently completed the required training for assignment in the Operations Control Center and have been placed in pools within their classifications. Surface personnel have been assigned to the radio-telephone operator's pool and rapid transit personnel have been assigned to the line supervisor's pool.

Newly-qualified radio-telephone operators shown at left with Transportation supervisory personnel include, from left, Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn, Manny Wenger, Leslie Pease, John Chambers, Gerald Mallory, and Superintendent of Operations R. W. Tracy. Robert Morrison also qualified, but was not available for the picture.

In the picture at right, four new line supervisors are shown with other Transportation Department personnel. They are, from left, Superintendent of Operations R. W. Tracy, Jerry Johnson, David Martin, Edward Colwell, Superintendent of Rapid Transit Operations J. R. Blaa, and Ronald Baker. Seated at working positions are regular line supervisors Frenchie Ellis and Burchard Pogue. Another new line supervisor, Lester Racker, was not available when the picture was taken.

A. J. Fitzsimons Retires As General Accountant

A 28-YEAR career in the Accounting Department of CTA and the former Surface Lines ended November 1 with the retirement of General Accountant Andrew J. Fitzsimons.

Mr. Fitzsimons joined the CSL as an accountant on February 2, 1942, and became assistant auditor in August, 1944. Following the takeover of transit properties by CTA, Mr. Fitzsimons became assistant budget supervisor in January, 1948, and assistant general accountant in January, 1951. Mr. Fitzsimons was named general accountant in January, 1958, the position which he held until the time of his retirement.

Mr. Fitzsimons is shown with his wife, Leona, in the accompanying picture taken at a retirement luncheon held to honor him on October 29. Behind the couple are, from left, Manager of Finance P. J. Meinardi, Transit Board Chairman G. L. DeMent, and General Manager T. B. O'Connor.

Superintendent,
Keeler Station:

Right now, I'd like to shake the hand of each one of your bus operators. They set a new safety record which reflects upon the entire CTA organization and is the envy of every other surface system station.

For the third quarter of the Interstation Safety Contest, Keeler wound up with a point score of 74.49—which is close enough to a perfect 75.00 to win anybody's approval. And this was accomplished in spite of increased traffic on the streets of Chicago.

It takes quite a team of bus operators to come up with a score like that, and the Keeler team apparently has the skill and determination to meet the challenge. I know I share the pride for this accomplishment with every one of the superintendents, instructors, and garagemen who work with the operators.

Efforts like theirs are helping to make this our safest year. Of course, we still have a month to go to complete the year, but with the example Keeler operators are setting, I'm confident we will beat the previous low. In the meantime, if any of your men pass me in the halls of the Mart, at the station, or on the street, I hope they will just reach out and say, "I'm from Keeler"—and I'll extend my personal thanks. Keep up the good work!

T. B. O'Connor

Keeler, Howard Win Third Quarter ISC Awards

BEATING ALL other stations in the surface system competition for the third quarter of 1970, Keeler Station won the Interstation Safety Contest with a point score of 74.49. The perfect score is 75.00.

Accepting the plaque (on our cover) from Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn is Keeler Station Superintendent R. W. Christian. At the presentation, Mr. Flynn praised the Keeler bus operators for winning their seventh ISC award and for establishing a new record for surface system stations.

Winning the rapid transit system award with a score of 73.00 points was Howard Station. Proudly displaying the newly-won plaque in the picture at right are E. J. Heatter and M. V. LaVelle, Howard Station superintendent and assistant superintendent, respectively.

New Appointments

TWENTY-ONE EMPLOYES were recently appointed to new positions in three CTA departments, including the Transit Board Chairman's office, rapid transit operating stations, and surface system garages.

Appointed to the position of administrative assistant to Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent was D. P. Lemm. The appointment was made by General Manager T. B. O'Connor and became effective October 19, 1970.

Named to new positions at rapid transit operating stations effective October 25 were M. V. LaVelle, North Section assistant station superintendent, and R. J. Baker, West Section temporary assistant station superintendent. The appointments were made by Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn and approved by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.

In promotions made within the Shops and Equipment Department, 18 employes took new assignments at surface system garages effective November 8. Becoming night supervisors of garages were Bruno Feret and James Pankonen, North Division, and Thomas Gecan and Donald Sturenfeldt, South Division. Becoming day foremen were Alexander Pala, North Avenue, and Peter Szafranski, 69th Street. Becoming p.m. foremen were Spencer Bennett, Forest Glen; Augustus Hennelly, North Park; Andrew Jones Jr., Beverly; Salvatore Marsico, 69th Street, and Olen Williams, 77th Street. Becoming night foremen were Thomas Donnelly, 77th Street, and Edward Kuklewicz, Archer. Becoming day assistant foremen were Walter Bailey, 77th Street; James Byrne, 69th Street; John Guinee, Beverly; Michael Smith, Archer, and William Toomey, Kedzie. The appointments were made by Superintendent of Garages J. W. Dain and approved by Superintendent of Surface System Shops and Garages J. J. Repplinger, and Superintendent of Shops and Equipment G. J. Clark.

Hospital Honors Retired Trainman

BILL HAWKINS, recently named "Volunteer of the Year" at Mount Sinai hospital, is shown with Mrs. Ruth Friedman, hospital director of volunteers.

"I KNOW him." "Sure, that's old Bill, he broke me in." These are a few of the comments you will hear from some of his former co-workers on the West Section where Bill Hawkins worked as a trainman for 19 years before taking his pension during September, 1967. But to many of the patients at Mt. Sinai hospital on Chicago's West Side, happiness and strength is a man named Bill Hawkins.

Bill, an amputee and volunteer worker at Mt. Sinai since October, 1968, knows the pain and anxiety of the many patients he visits and befriends as he was once a patient at Mt. Sinai himself. His charm, wit, and dime-store philosophy seem to radiate an aura of serenity, not only to the patients, but to the many people he works with.

Named "Volunteer of the Year" at Mt. Sinai hospital, he was also selected by the State Street Council and Volunteer Bureau of the Welfare Council of Metropolitan Chicago, which sponsors the "Volunteer of the Year" competition, to represent the 200,000 Chicago area volunteers at the unveiling of a Hall of Service Gallery at City Hall exhibiting portraits and biographies of the 108 candidates.

RECENT CTA ADDITIONS TO THE ARMED FORCES

ANDERSON, R. J., Serviceman, 69th Street
JACKSON, D. E., Operator, 52nd Street
JOHNSON, B. B., Operator, North Park
KARP, K. F., Steamfitter Helper, Engineering
MADECK, D. F., Operator, Forest Glen
MARSHALL, I., Operator, Forest Glen
MELTON, O. L., Trackman, Engineering
NEVELS, C. L., Car Repairman "B", Congress
REEVES, D. R., Conductor, West Section
STEVENS, W. L., Janitor, South Section

RECENTLY RETURNED

BILLIS, J. F., Combination Clerk, South Shops
CACINI, R. W., Operator, Forest Glen
CUCI, J. A. Jr., Programmer Trainee, Methods & Procedures
GIBSON, L. V., Serviceman, Kedzie
KOSTER, R. L., Serviceman, North Avenue
MATTHEWS, L., Serviceman, North Park
RAMSEY, O., Operator, North Park
SHEPP, R. T., Serviceman, 69th Street
WADE, A., Operator, North Park
WATSON, J. E., Serviceman, 77th Street
YOUNG, W. L., Operator, North Avenue
ZALCBERG, A., Ticket Agent, North Section

Basketball Tournament Organized for 70-71 Season

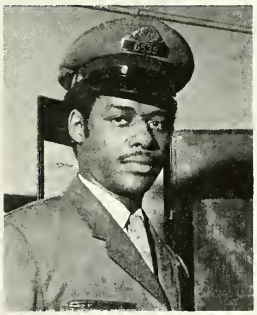
TO KICK-OFF the 1970-71 Division 241-CTA basketball tournament, a meeting of all the station team managers with the sports director and his staff was held in the CTA board room on Thursday, November 12, to outline the program for the coming season.

The well-rounded sports program is under the direction of Beverly Station Operator Agis Bray, a former member of the famous Harlem Globe Trotters, and his assistants, Jackie Robinson of Kedzie Station, Elwood Flowers, board member of Division 308, and Leon Harris of 69th Street Station.

Assisting the sports director at the November meeting were two representatives of CTA management, Superintendent of Instruction Thomas Stiglic, and Transit News Editorial Assistant Mel Alexander.

Station team managers, pictured above with tournament staff members, are, from left, seated: Homer Reed, North Park; Mr. Alexander; Mr. Bray; Mr. Robinson, and Mr. Flowers. Standing, left to right, are: Anthony Berry, Keeler; James Terry, 52nd Street; James Burris, Lawndale; Archie Harris, Forest Glen; Forrest McHerron, Kedzie; Clarence Jenkins, Limits; Mr. Stiglic; Howard Stratton, North Section; Robert James, South Section; Joseph Burch, West Section; Wade Simmons, North Avenue, and Felix Williams, 77th Street.

This is an after-hours sports and recreational program organized by Division 241 in cooperation with Chicago Transit Authority designed to establish a healthful and psychological relationship among its members.



Cornelius Dixon

Unsung Hero Of 'L'-Auto Collision Identified

LAST MONTH'S Transit News included an article describing the heroic actions of two CTAers—a motorman and a superintendent—who probably saved the lives of five occupants of a burning automobile. At the time of publication, the name of a third CTA hero remained unknown.

Acting Congress-Douglas Station Superintendent Kenneth L. Brown was a witness to the accident which occured when an automobile driven around a lowered crossing gate was struck by an "L" train at 54th Avenue on the Douglas branch. He and a uniformed bus operator ran to the burning auto to pull three children and their parents to safety. The bus operator left the scene as soon as the injured were removed and his name remained a mystery until station superintendents were questioned regarding the incident. He was identified as Lawndale Station Operator Cornelius Dixon.

Operator Dixon, who has been with CTA since August, 1969, was commended for his part in the heroic rescue in a letter from General Manager Thomas B. O'Connor. Also commended were Superintendent Brown and West Section Motorman Ronald Cosley, whose quick response to the emergency while operating his train prevented the occupants of the car from sustaining even greater injury.

Medically Speaking

by Dr. George H. Irwin

RETIREMENT HAS become a part of life which must be planned for. There was a time when the span of one's working life was measured by his ability to produce and retirement was not governed arbitrarily by age. Nowadays this has changed. It has become the policy of businesses, in general, to retire workers at age 65.

Sixty or 70 years ago, life expectancy was approximately 50 years. The average work week was about 70 hours. Today, due to advances in medical science and technology the scene has changed; life expectancy has risen to 70 years or better and the work has dropped to 40 hours—or less. This means that more emphasis should be placed on preparing for these years of leisure living.

Realizing the importance of this problem, the American Medical Association's Committee on Aging has devoted much time, thought, and study to the subject of retirement. Its chief concern is for the health, happiness, and welfare of retirees, whether retirement is forced upon them, or is a matter of choice. The Committee is vitally concerned with the chances of successful adjustment to leisure living. The study shows that compulsory retirement and denial of work opportunities frequently seriously affects the health and happiness of many persons—particularly if they are unprepared for it. It also reveals that few people get as much satisfaction from leisure living as they do from active employment. The same studies show that success in business does not necessarily prepare one to make good use of his retirement.

Proper preparation is important to successful retirement. To aid its employes, a large corporation instituted a free, voluntary pre-retirement program. Information was provided about climatic conditions, living costs, housing, medical care, and recreation. With the help of this information, many people were able to plan for a better retirement, indicating that one should make a plan, then carry it out.

Age and physical condition are fairly consistent factors in the decision to retire. To illustrate: an employe at age 45 with poor health from any cause may be ready for early retirement, while another employe at age 65 may be efficient and productive for several more years.

Good mental attitude and proper motivation are both very important to successful retirement.

As one nears retirement age, a person is more aware of the problems to be solved. There are advantages and disadvantages. The outcome is dependent on many factors, but the most important one is the ability to adjust. Learn early to be pliable.

A few general rules for successful retirement are:

1. Plan early, choosing location, climate, cost of living, recreational facilities.

2. Have a complete physical checkup and continue the sound principles of good hygiene, exercise, diet, and rest.

3. Established, familiar ways of living—church affiliation and social and recreational activities—are important to maintain. Don't burn your bridges.

4. New experiences and adventures may be helpful to supplement your program. Traveling, new hobbies, and even a part-time job can be very rewarding.

5. Re-education is another good way to add spice to your life. The theory of re-education is simply this: just as one can be physically retrained in new habits of walking and talking, so can he be retrained in new habits of thinking, feeling, and acting.

Remember that retirement can and should be a very happy and eventful time of life. Happiness, someone said, is a state of mind. It can be reasonable in price if we know how and where to look for it.

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THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (General) -

After nearly 51 years of service with CTA and the Chicago Surface Lines, GEORGE PELLICORE, chief accountant, retired on October 1. A dinner in his honor was held at the "Bull and Bear" banquet room on September 29. It was a beautiful affair and many people attended including his distinguished family and many retired CTAers. The pensioners included: ROBERT BAXTER, EDWARD C. BURKE, MARY CLARKE, JOHN J. CUSHING, WILLIAM DENTEMARO, ED EHRLICH, L. J. FRANCOEUR, LYDIA HAEMKER, ROBERT HILL, MARY ISBRANDT, WALTER JANDT, ED KAROSS, MAE KEARNS, MILDRED BONOMO, ESTHER O'BRIEN, TOM O'BRIEN, MABLE POTTHAST, NELLE ROCHE, MARIAN WALSH, BILL WILLIAMS, JOHN GEARY, MABEL MAGNUSON, and JIM and GERTRUDE (Figge) ANDERSON. We also learned that Esther O'Brien was married shortly after this retirement dinner and is now a resident of Indian Lake in Upper Michigan. She is now Mrs. VAL BAUER. If any of the retired people were omitted, it was due to an oversight, and if you will drop a line to this reporter, we will include your name in the next issue of the CTA Transit News... Congratulations are in order for GEORGE TRIUNFOL and BERNARD KANE on their recent appointments. George was appointed chief accountant to replace George Pellicore who retired, and Bernard was appointed senior accountant to fill the position left open by George Triunfol...DENNIS McFADDEN and his wife, CHRISTINE, are to be congratulated on the arrival of their second son, JOHN BRIAN, born on October 1. The little bundle of joy weighed in at 6 pounds 2½ ounces... FRANK HODAPP, voucher clerk who retired eight years ago, passed away on October 13. He was laid to rest in Queen of Heaven cemetery...Two blessed events happened in the life of BEATRICE FRANKE with the birth of two grandsons, RUSSELL CHARLES FRANKE, born on October 5, and MIKE ANTHONY FRANKE, born on October 13, sons of Beatrice's sons... JUNE NOREN flew to West Palm Beach, Florida, where she spent some time visiting her nephew and his wife. An outstanding highlight of her trip was going on the Lion Country Safari and to many other places of interest. She brought home many beautiful scenic pictures of her vacation...MARTHA NEFFAS returned from her very interesting vacation in Japan and Hawaii with many interesting and scenic pictures, among them the floating market. Their plane landed unexpectedly in Saigon, Viet Nam, and she saw some of our American soldiers. They took a trip through Siam and Okinawa, and at one time the hotel they were staying in was boarded up because of an expected typhoon. This was not an unusual happening in that area...On her vacation, LOIS JAHNKE took a tour with her family. They visited Bolivia, the highest capital in the world and a small Indian village festival with bands, a parade, and dancing in the street. Then they crossed the Titicaca lake, visiting Sun and Moon island of the pre-Inca period and entered Peru, where they found Lima to be very interesting. After going by rail to the "Lost City of the Incas", they flew between the snow-capped peaks of the Andes and on to Ecuador. Here they visited the Colorado Indians in the jungle and the Actavalo Indians in the highlands. They then went on a four-day cruise to the Galapogos Islands where they were within inches of iguanas, seals, turtles, and birds. These islands are 650 miles off the coast of Ecuador and are a national park of the country. ..JEAN WRIGHT left via TWA for a glorious weekend in Las Vegas. She visited Hoover Dam which is really very interesting, and after that she spent her time making the rounds of casinos and slot machines on the Strip and the downtown area. She came home, not broke, just badly bent, a few hours before the airline hostesses went out on strike. She is looking forward to her next trip where she will take up where she left off. It's great fun and exciting...On his vacation BERNARD KANE, with his family, including a brother and his wife, traveled 3,800 miles down the east coast of Florida to the Keys and then up the west coast taking in the beautiful scenery.

Just making the deadline for this issue of Transit News was the November 1 retirement of General Accountant ANDREW J. FITZSIMONS. Mr. Fitzsimons was feted at a retirement luncheon in the M&M Club on October 29 by his friends and co-workers, including the following retirees: seated, from left, OLIVE BATTERSBY, ELEANORE BROWN, Mr. and Mrs. Fitzsimons, JOSEPHINE TOLLAR,

and ANN O'BRIEN. Standing, from left, MABLE POTTHAST, MABEL MAGNUSON, JOHN GEARY, ED KAROSS, BOB BAXTER, ED BURKE, JOHN CUSHING, LAWRENCE FRANCOEUR, HARRY TANNHAUSER, THERESA HAYES, BILL WILLIAMS, MAE KEARNS, and GEORGE PELLICORE.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

(Payroll) -

STANLEY MAILUCK, payroll accountant, really missed his calling. He should have been a tour director, for when he visits a vacation area he doesn't miss a thing. He and Mrs. Mailuck drove to Canada on their last trip, the first stop being Toronto where they saw the very modern new City Hall and Centre Island Park. They visited the Canadian National Exposition which takes place the last three weeks in August and is comparable to an annual state fair. They also visited the Ontario Science Center and Casa Loma Castle. At old Fort York they saw a demonstration of the firing of muskets by soldiers dressed in the uniforms of the older days, and in Kingston at old Fort Henry they heard the firing of a cannon salute and saw the changing of the sentries. On the Kings Highway in Upper Canada Vil-

lage they saw life depicted as it was in the last century complete with a stagecoach, ox-cart, sawmill, weaving, handcrafts, and the old schoolmaster's room where he taught in his own home. In Montreal they visited the Botanical Gardens, the Expo grounds where this year's theme was "Man and His World", and St. Joseph's Oratory, the shrine of many miraculous cures. They enjoyed a very interesting tour of the Pickering nuclear power station which is still under construction and, when finished, will be the largest in the world. The subway is very modern, and Mr. Mailuck has an excellent time exposure taken in a substation; there also are many shops underground for those lucky Canadians who can travel the subway, do their shopping, and return home without being exposed to inclement weather. Back in the United States they stopped at the White Mountains in New Hampshire and took pictures of Wildcat Mountain ski lift, the Cog railway, and Mount Cranmore. At Mount Washington they ran into a small blizzard with a 29 degree temperature and 60 mph wind. He has lovely pictures of a covered bridge in Jackson, New Hampshire, the Old Man of the Mountains, and a beautiful sunrise. So you see, he didn't miss a thing...MARY CARNEY spent a delightful vacation with friends in Hillsboro, Wisconsin, and was very impressed with the beauty of that area. The leaves had changed to their autumn colors and Mary just couldn't rave enough about the gorgeous yellow, red, and gold leaves of the maple trees...ESTHER ANDERSON sent greetings from Seattle, Washington.

- Clara Lawrence

(Tabulating) -

DAN FRUSOLONE enjoyed a lazy week at home, rising late, and breakfasting leisurely with the morning newspaper in preparation for a day with "nothing" to do...JOHN ECKEL spent a very energetic vacation catching up on his chores around home. John says the autumnal landscape as viewed around and through gutters and downspouts is breath-taking.

- Evelyn Leu

BEVERLY -

Operator WILLIE KELLEY and his wife, BETTY, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on September 18. They were married in South Hampton, England, in 1945. Congratulations!..Operator R. E. HOLTMAN and his wife, CAROLE, are the proud parents of a baby boy, ROBERT Jr. Dad celebrated his birthday on October 29 and this was a nice birthday present from mom...Operator GEORGE WEATHERS and his wife, YVONNE, spent a weekend in Ocho Rios, Jamaica. A new rum drink called the "Tower Tornado" was his invitation to try and drink the town dry. The glass that the drink is served in is given to the customer. George came back with a set of 12...Operator L. P. LILLY is complaining of not having a parking space when he reports for work, while some cars are occupying two spaces. Park a little closer, fellows, winter is coming and we have very little space as it is...As your co-reporter, Amos Foster, I have one sad note--my daughter, BARBARA, lost her son, LEON, on September 28, and the strange thing is that she had just given birth to a baby girl, EDWINA MARIE, on September 27. I told her, "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away, blessed be the name of the Lord."..Operator LONNIE RUPERT is crowing about his 11-month old daughter, SHARON. She started walking two weeks ago and gets into everything now. Sharon is keeping old dad busy trying to keep up with her with his movie camera...Operator JAMES HARRIS spent the summer repairing his house for "the Hawk" that's on the way...With the return to Central Standard Time, it gets dark pretty early, so drive carefully and be around next month.

- Tom Daniels & Amos Foster

CHARLIE OLCIKAS, Claim Department, is pictured here receiving the Order of the Palms, the highest award that the Catholic Youth Organization bestows upon distinguished persons. The Rt. Reverend Monsignor EDWARD J. KELLY is shown making the presentation at a recent CYO concert held at Medinah Temple.

CLAIM -

ED COMAN and his wife, MABEL, enjoyed a two-week vacation in Cape Cod, Massachusetts. Ed said that the autumn colors there are just beautiful. They also went to Hyannis Port where they visited the Kennedy compound and also the church where the Kennedys worship...Speedy recoveries are wished to BETTY HENNESSY, the wife of Adjuster JOHN HENNESSY, and to EVELYN COONEY, the wife of Adjuster BILL COONEY...MARION KLAUER visited her son and his family in San Antonio, Texas. She enjoyed a two-week stay, where she caught up on the latest news and played with her three grandchildren whom she had not seen in over a year...JOHN WILLIAMS and his wife, VIRGINIA, vacationed in Arkansas. While there they bought a lot near Hot Springs, with the possibility of it becoming their retirement home...PAT ZAJAC came back from her vacation in Hawaii with fond hopes of returning there permanently. She visited several of the islands but enjoyed Waikiki Beach most of all...The former MARIE MALINOWSKI honeymooned with her new husband, TOM CRAWLEY, in Miami Beach, Florida...Forty of LOIS POTTS' co-workers and friends enjoyed a pre-wedding luncheon at Martini's. Lois and CLARENCE CRAWLEY, statementman, were married on October 31 and honeymooned in New Orleans...ERIC ERICSON, who retired November 1, enjoyed a retirement dinner at St. Regis with many of his friends and co-workers.

- Ruth Kaminski & Terri Kramer

CONGRESS (Agents) -

Agent BRENDA SLAUGHTER's friends helped her celebrate her birthday on October 21 by taking her out for dinner, to the theater, and for late refreshments...PETER SAGRIS and his wife, KATHERINE, proudly watched as their two sons, GEORGE and JAMES, were baptized at St. Nicholas church on Sunday, October 18. After the services, the happy couple entertained 90 guests at the Holiday Inn. The family style dinner was topped off with specially made delectable Grecian pastries and imported Greek wines...We

were sorry to hear that our friend, S. M. BANALS, was in the hospital. But when we heard that his bandages started pinching and he started pinching the nurses, we knew he was well on the road to recovery. All kidding aside, grandpa is a real nice guy and we will be glad to see him back... Pensioner JOSEPH VARGO took up tree surgery and was seriously injured in a fall. Joe is having a rough time, and a word of cheer would help...Mass was said for Pensioner BERNADETTE HAYES at St. Bernadine church on October 27. We also had word that Pensioner MAE HANLEY passed away...MARION HANNING has returned to work, so now grandma, ORA HANNING, and grandpa, JOHN HANNING, can take turns baby-sitting and making formula...On Friday, October 23, PETE SAGRIS, his brother, and sister-in-law, ELIZABETH, had a race to the hospital with the stork. Pete won, and is now the proud uncle of a little baby boy who weighed over nine pounds. Pete had quite a time worrying about the stork and dodging the police, and all this happened before he reported to work...The American Legion Christmas party for children will be held on December 14. Notices will be posted. I attended one as a scribe, and it was a toss-up as to who was having the most fun--the children or the parents. The ladies auxiliary will be going to Hines hospital. There will be card games, gifts, and refreshments. The post commander, JOHN CANNELLA, again extends an invitation to everyone to join in on the fun and good deeds...The holidays are approaching fast, and someday while you are out driving, why don't you stop at the Little Flower gift shop and browse around... JOHN APOSTOLOS and his wife, SARAH, and his daughter, GEORGIA, went to Rantoul, Illinois, for 15 days. It's their favorite vacation spot.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL (General Office) -

This really isn't a rerun of last month's column, it's just that BILLIE and GEORGE CHRISTENSEN, communications engineer, are grandparents again. On October 17 their son, EDWARD, and his wife, SHARON, became the parents of a daughter, DEBORAH ANN. That makes one granddaughter in September and one in October. Congratulations!..This month our vacationers were content to stay at home and paint their houses, clean the storm windows, and rake the leaves--hence a lack of travel news.

- Kay McAlister

WHAT DOES a group of old-timers talk about when they get together? Well when these six fellows got together at the home of Pensioner ELMER DEEGAN in Phoenix, Arizona, you can bet they were talking about the good old days. Pictured left to right, bottom row, are: Pensioners FRANK MACHOWSKI, JOHN JACOBY, and Elmer; top row, left to right: Superintendent FRANK BUETOW, North Avenue Station, and Pensioners GEORGE STILLWELL and PAUL SIMON.

ENGINEERING -

A luncheon was held for CAROL HART (formerly Swiderski) on September 23 at the Wagon Wheel restaurant. Twelve guests were present and Carol was presented with an electric deep-fry buffet dish from the luncheon guests. St. Martini's Lutheran church held open their doors to welcome Carol and BILL HART in matrimony on September 26. After a beautiful wedding ceremony, the reception was held at Holiday Inn. Some employes from Real Estate and Employment Departments, along with other CTA friends, were present. A marvelous time was had by all. The newlyweds spent their honeymoon in Hayward, Wisconsin. Good luck, Carol and Bill, and may you enjoy many many years of wedded bliss...Congratulations to WALLY GAEDTKE and his wife on the birth of a baby boy on October 3. He answers to the name of JOHN DAVID. This makes three sons for the Gaedtkes...A warm welcome is extended to PATRICIA FLYNN who is a temporary typist for the Engineering Department Library. Pat took the place of ANNA KEAG who left to return to school. Good luck, Pat, glad to have you aboard...Congratulations to CHESTER (Rusty) RUSAKIEWICZ' step-son, ANDREW R. SCIABBARRASI, who was graduated from jet mechanic training school at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas, on October 24. After his graduation he was home for a 14-day leave before being assigned to a permanent base. I'm sure the entire family is very proud of Andrew on his accomplishment. Congratulations and good luck in your new endeavors...DENNIS PENEPACKER resigned on October 16 to enter employment with a consulting firm. Good luck and best wishes on your new position, Dennis...The "Walls of Jericho" have been partially destroyed in the Engineering Department in order to enable all employes to be totally united. Now, Rooms 7-155, 7-169, and 7-171 are all in one. JIM JOHNSON, along with his fully recovered plant, have been moved to the west side of the wall. It sure is quiet in the drafting section now.

(West Shops) -

PAUL ANDERSON, clerk, and his wife spent three lovely weeks in Arizona, Mexico, and California. He said the highlights of the trip were the handbag and booze he picked up in Mexico and a place he and his wife went to in Las Vegas called Circus, Circus. It's similar to the Riverview we had in Chicago. One spectacular thing about it was the price of drinks. A glass of beer a nickel, a glass of champagne a dime, and a shot of the hard stuff a quarter. Pretty reasonable with today's prices...Speaking of Las Vegas, JIM RIGNEY, machinist, will be journeying there with his Moose Lodge soon. More about that later...JIM SINCLAIR, bricklayer foreman, said he spent a week's vacation at home building a house with an indoor heated swimming pool and push button remote-control doors for Von Kurt II, who is his beloved and faithful dog. You wouldn't be putting us on with that name would you, Jim?..We have a couple of newborns in the department. MIKE POLLIZZE, laborer, became a father for the second time when his wife gave birth to a baby boy. Superintendent of Structures WALLY

THIS SMILING little cherub is JEANNE ANN WIXTED, the six-month old granddaughter of Ticket Agent and Loop co-reporter MARY WIXTED.

GAEDTKE was also blessed with a baby boy. He said while he was caring for the house and the other children when his wife was in the hospital, his voice started to change. Anyway, congratulations to both of you fellows. Keep up the good work!..GINNY SCOTT was out to O'Hare Airport wishing her mother a bon voyage when she left for California, where the grand lady will be residing from now on. She is 87 years old and loves to fly whenever she travels, which emphasizes the fact that you're as young as you feel. ..We're glad to have SAM GLOVER, machinist, back in our midst after being off for a long time.

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

On Thanksgiving day when you have eaten your fill, be sure to thank the Lord for this country he has given you. This is the only country where you are able to speak for or against--as we have freedom of speech. So on this day, be thankful we live in America, thankful for your health, families, friends, and the wonderful living we are able to obtain. Happy Thanksgiving to each of you and your families. ..Clerk HERBIE SCHMIDT and his lovely wife drove to Quebec, Canada, and then down the east coast to Williamsburg, Virginia. Herbie and the Mrs. are starting to see a lot of the U.S. lately. He must be digging deep into the old sock where he has been keeping it. By the way, Schmidt wants to be called by his new title--utility clerk. Well, if that's what he wants, that's what it will be. He should look the word up in the dictionary...While on the subject of clerks, have you noticed the big smile on PHIL MANGAN's face? I do believe we should keep him at our station, but don't ever let him ride with you. This lad can find more faults with your driving than anyone else. We still think the world of you, Phil...Operator PETE PETERSON promised to get a haircut next payday, and Superintendent E. K. PETERSON will be looking forward to the event...Operator KING vacationed in Mexico, then went to Las Vegas to try his luck on those funny machines--the ones you put money in and expect to hit the jackpot. Well the kid is still driving that big car, so he must have made out OK. Or maybe the credit union was behind him...Night Clerk RAGE had a little time off and he is a golf bug. We all know he spent his time on the golf course, so he must be getting ready to take on ANDY LEE in the spring...Operator BERG was seen working in his house slippers one morning. Foot trouble he says--but we all know that he is getting forgetful in his old age...I wonder which janitor is called "Ma Perkins." Well he's the one who uses the little battery operated device to speak with...Operator ROBERT EVARTS and his lovely wife of only 20 years, PEARL, drove to Arizona and Los Angeles. Upon their return home, their daughter, PATRICIA, entered the hospital. At last report she was doing fine...Operator TOM MEAGHER has had his share of grief. First his only son, RICKY, entered the armed forces, then he lost his older brother, BILL, who was a priest in Texas, and then he lost his aunt. Tom, our hearts go out to you and your family in this hour of grief, but I am sure the good Lord will guide you...DARLENE ZIOLKOWSKI, the daughter of Instructor H. F. ZIOLKOWSKI, is in the upper ten on the honor roll at the college she is attending. Her dad is a person who always has a good word for his students and is willing to help everyone at all times...I just finished talking to E. P. CHAPLEWSKI, our board member. He has a very pleasant voice over the phone and is a very understanding person. How can one man be so polite? I thought he was born that way, but after talking to his wonderful wife, I think a little of her goodness brushed off on him. Get well, "Chappie", you are missed even if we don't use the phone...Recently we received coffee and rolls for reducing our accident par. Our thanks to Superintendent E. K. PETERSON and the credit union. Keep up the good work men and keep those accidents down. Let's put our station on top, and we can do it. Keep in mind that the weather is getting bad and keep that distance between you and the car in front. Don't tail-gate. Remember it is better to be late than sorry. Superintendent Peterson says his door is always open to his men. He is willing to listen and offer a helping hand to everyone. Thanks, boss, I'll be in to see you next week...Now that the holiday season is upon us, our fine credit union is at hand if you have any money problems. No matter what your need--car, home, or a little extra cash--they will be able to help you. Also, don't forget to save a little each payday--it's better than a bank...Operator DeMAYO is proud of his young son, TONY DeMAYO, and he has a good reason. Larry Bitcon, Illinois State university football coach, calls Tony one of the Redskins' toughest players. Tony is 6 feet 1 inch tall and weighs 205 pounds. He was a starter in 1969, and his coach has been alternating him this year. He was converted from an offensive fullback to a defensive end and is considered one of the best.

- W. A. Henry (Don't call me Wilbur)

GENERAL OFFICE (Insurance) -

Our receptionist, TONI GALIC, became Mrs. KRIS MISETIC on October 31 at Sacred Heart Croatian church. Kris is an electrician at Skokie Shops. An evening reception was held following the ceremony. Toni's co-workers treated her to an enjoyable dinner at the Italian Village. We wish the newlyweds much happiness...MARY LABUS spent a week of her vacation in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. She and her girlfriend had a real swingin' time at the Playboy Club...CAROL ARNDT was really surprised at a dinner in her honor at Jimmy Wong's on October 16. She thought one person was taking her out and it turned out that the whole office was there. Another surprise was in store for Carol, when on October 23 the secretaries and stenographers held a luncheon for her at the Chodash restaurant with strawberry daiquiris being served and enjoyed by most. This was really a surprise, 28 in all. An open house was held on October 30, at which time Carol resigned to become a full-time housewife.

(Law) -

Congratulations are in order for RON BARTKOWICZ and CAROL MOORE who were united in marriage on October 17 at St. Martha's church in Morton Grove, Illinois. A reception was held at the Golden Tiara and the couple is honeymooning in Mexico...ED REICHARD and his wife took to the air for a three-week vacation to Athens, Istanbul, Vienna, Naples, and Rome...Our sympathy is extended to the family of Pensioner JAMES A. MAHONEY on the death of his sister, CATHERINE MAHONEY...Attorney DANIEL JAMES FARRELL was welcomed to the department...PAT NEWELL motored to a convention in Boston for the Sweet Adelines. The roads were sure humming with tunes.

(Treasury) -

ANN GUSICH took a bus tour to Washington, D.C., to finish up the business that EMIL could not complete--with spark plugs...C. H. GRUBE, treasurer, and his wife drove to Mobile, Alabama, to visit with their son, ED, who is teaching down there.

(Office Services) -

JOHN SCHWARTZ flew down to Scottsdale, Arizona, for a week of sunshine and rest with a friend.

(Medical) -

Dr. S. D. MOSNY, his wife, and grandson drove to Cape Coral, Florida, for two weeks of sunshine and fishing.

(Executive) -

Retired Secretary NELL SCHNEIDER wishes to thank everyone for their get well wishes and cards during her recent illness. She was so grateful that people thought of her during her illness.

(Employment) -

Wedding bells will soon be ringing for RITA BRZECZEK who became engaged to JOE RITROVATO, information clerk, Transportation Department...The welcome mat was extended to MAUREEN McGILL who became a permanent clerk-typist after spending some time in Europe attending school on a scholarship.

(Research & Planning) -

FRANK and STASE MISEK returned from a most enjoyable vacation. The weather was perfect, the scenery beautiful, and the old jalopy held out all the way. They were on a 3-week spree on the west coast touring Grand Canyon, Las Vegas, Phoenix, Tucson, and parts of Mexico. Of all the 48 states Frank has visited, he says this trip was the nicest. En route they visited with HARRY POLLAND, retired director of Public Information, who sends his best wishes to all his friends back here at CTA...Bring on the bright lights and cameras, JOHN O'CONNOR and his wife, LORRAINE, have made the big time. The O'Connors have been quite busy rehearsing, costume making, constructing stages, and just getting things ready for the show to open. This year their church conducted its All Hallow's Festival presenting "Stage Door, D.I." It was a real exciting event, bringing in around 800 people or more each night. The show featured different acts and skits, and of course, loads of laughs. John and Lorraine starred as Burns and Allen in the Ziegfield Follies. The show was a success and everyone had a fun evening.

THIS HAPPY couple is WILLIAM and JULIA MURRAY who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a party with their family and friends on November 24. William, who formerly worked for the Utility Department, retired on March 1, 1964, after 43 years of service.

(Training & Accident Prevention) -

KATHLEEN FABRY was welcomed to the department as a clerk-stenographer. She is a good person to know--her husband, RICHARD, is a loan officer at the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Chicago. Kathy spent a month of her summer touring Ireland and England. While in England she met Michael Cole of TV's "Mod Squad" and Phyllis Diller...MEL LOHN, the son of LEONARD LOHN, is a member of the C.A.R.E., a musical group presently touring the country. He has played in night clubs in Alabama, Georgia, Michigan, Indiana, and Texas. Mel plays the saxophone, clarinet, and flute...WALTER GARBUTT, master of the Grand Crossing Lodge 776 A.F. and A.M., presented a third degree class at the lodge on Thursday, October 15...JOHN O'SULLIVAN, the son of JOSEPH R. O'SULLIVAN, was married to JOAN PHILLIPS on Saturday, October 17, in St. Bernadette's church, Evergreen Park. The mass was a guitar mass. One of the songs sung by the quartet was, "It's Only Just Begun." John and Joan wrote their own marriage vows. They also selected the various readings that were heard during the mass. The reception took place at Chuck Cavallini's in Midlothian, Illinois. The young couple took off for the Lake of the Ozarks where they spent one week. Now it is back to work for both of them... ART HUBACZ has been very busy since he became state commander of the Polish Legion of American Veterans, attending banquets and installations of officers at various posts and chapters of the P.L.A.U. At one stretch he was attending various functions for 17 days in a row. It sure played heck with his diet--he put on nine pounds. He said, "That good Polish food did it." Art, we sure missed your smiling face in the Medical Department, one reason, the scale not being used...Superintendent FRANK JOHNSON visited his son, BRUCE, at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri. Bruce is in advanced individual training with the construction engineers. Frank and his wife, DOROTHY, picked up their daughter, KRIS, at Illinois State university so that she could visit also. They spent some time sightseeing and visiting in St. Louis. They made a side trip to Rolla, Missouri, where Frank attended the University of Missouri... BERNIE FORD and his wife, EDNA, and their four children left Chicago on October 12 heading for Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. They spent two days viewing the battlefield and visiting museums. They also toured Virginia and Washington, D.C., and after a very full week returned home safely.

(Reproduction Services) -

The welcome mat is extended to GEORGE GRIFFIN and TIMOTHY WESTER, the new multilith operators. We wish you both success in your new jobs.

W. J. STOLTENBERG
46 Years

T. J. CASHIN
41 Years

S. L. KOZMA
41 Years

C. J. EICHLER
41 Years

R. J. HENDRICKX
41 Years

NEW PENSIONERS

JOINING THE ranks of the retired on November 1 were the five employes pictured here who had 40 or more years of transit service each with CTA and its predecessor companies.

MAURICE J. CAMPBELL, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 1-27-48
THOMAS J. CASHIN, Stationary Engineer,
South Shops, Emp. 6-5-29
CHARLES DUNNE, Day Foreman,
North Park, Emp. 4-19-36
CHARLES J. EICHLER, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 9-19-29
ERIC W. ERICSON, Statementman,
Claim, Emp. 10-17-28
ANDREW J. FITZSIMONS, General Accountant,
Accounting, Emp. 2-2-42
JAMES R. HAYDON, Substation Operator,
Electrical, Emp. 3-20-34
RICHARD J. HENDRICKX, Clerk,
South Section, Emp. 2-5-29
FRANK S. HOLZER, Chauffeur,
Utility, Emp. 5-11-42
STEVE L. KOZMA, Motorman,
West Section, Emp. 4-8-29
JOHN F. LYNCH, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 2-6-43
VINCENT MULE, Trackman I,
Engineering, Emp. 5-14-42
JAMES P. MURPHY, Laborer,
South Shops, Emp. 10-20-30
ROCCO PONTRELLI, Trackman 1,
Engineering, Emp. 6-28-45
JODIE A. RAND, Car Repairman,
Wilson Avenue, Emp. 11-10-48
WALLACE J. STOLTENBERG, Traffic Clerk,
Schedule-Traffic, Emp. 2-25-24
AUGUST H. VANDERMEIR, Supervisor,
District "D", Emp. 3-17-37
ERSKIN WATTS, Trackman 1,
Engineering, Emp. 7-31-42
STANLEY J. ZALE, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 10-15-45

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

RUSSELL C. BROOKS, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 6-19-58
ELLWOOD F. JOHNSON, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 11-25-47
STEPHEN SOVISS, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 11-8-56
JOHN P. THOMAS, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 5-31-41

(Public Information) -

We received a card from J. J. DONOVAN who flew to Ireland for a few weeks of visiting on the old Sod...A trip to our neighboring country, Canada, was enjoyed recently by PAT REED and her hubby, JOHN, and her little son, WADE. They drove to Detroit to visit relatives and then on to the famous Niagara Falls where she found the scenery lovely, the food delicious, and the Canadian people most gracious. She was truly surprised to find so much of the old country charm, customs, and food so near to our borders...RUSS WARNSTEDT, Suggestion Department, and his lovely wife, RUTH, left their hearts on the island of Maui after they toured the Hawaiian islands on their recent vacation. Russ and Ruth, like the other Kanes (men) and Wahines (women) who come back to the mainland, will always remember how the people of the islands opened their hearts to show they are truly the 50th State of the Union and proud to be part of our country. Aloha!

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

KEDZIE -

Now that we have put our clocks back one hour, darkness comes earlier. So be extra alert for children riding bikes, adults cutting in between cars, and bad weather. Make defensive driving a must, and let's all strive to cut down on accidents...Congratulations to Operator and Mrs. A. DOMINICK on the marriage of their son, PAUL, to JEANNE MARIE on October 24 at St. Thecla church. The reception was held at the Golden Tiara and the food, music, and drinks were great. Everyone there had a grand time...Division 241 Vice President and Board Member WILLIAM LARSEN and his lovely wife, JO, became grandparents again when their daughter, MARGARET, gave birth to a baby boy, PATRICK ANDREW. Mr. and Mrs. MOHONEY now have two children, a boy and a girl...Pensioner SID ENGELHARD was on my bus and he looks real good. He now has a job at the Lake Shore National bank and enjoys what he's doing...I received a card from Pensioner DAVE CLARK who recently returned from Canada and he's doing very well. He says hello to everyone at Kedzie. . . The

HATAWAYS sent me a card from Europe. They are enjoying themselves very much, taking in all the sights, plus the tours. He says hello to all...Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. KANE whose husband, JOSEPH (Red) KANE, passed away and was buried at Mt. Carmel cemetery...Operator B. COLLIER is in the hospital. We hope by the time this issue comes out he will be back to work. Also on the sick list is Operator JACOBSEN...Don't forget your credit union, save a little each payday.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

Hi all you lucky people. This is the good old Thanksgiving season, and kick-off time for the Yuletide season. What's that you say--there's nothing to be thankful for? Well if you have that attitude, my heart bleeds for you. The next time you feel real low, get a piece of paper and jot down the problems you have. On another sheet of paper note some of the things that are on the credit side--like a full stomach, a roof over your head (even with the mortgage), two eyes (though dimming a little), two feet (though they tire a little faster), and a country full of strife and upheaval (but where else would you rather be). The list could prove to be rather lengthy if you would be honest with yourself...Speaking of honesty brings us around to this being an election month also. Picked up this bit about a reporter interviewing a successful businessman. In reply to the cause of his success, the businessman merely stated that he only tried to make an honest living, and there wasn't very much competition. Oh, if only every person lived by this standard...Pensioner RAY WISHNER dropped by the station looking like a million bucks and left greetings to one and all. Ray also left his address in case some of the fellows happen to be in his neck of the woods. It is: 2351 NE 29th street, Pompano Beach, Florida 33064. I know Ray would appreciate a card or letter from his old buddies, too. ..STANLEY JOZWIAK was pretty close to Ray. I received a card from Stanley extolling the pulchritude of the Miami belles...Cards also came from Relief Superintendent M. H. DeWITT and Operator JOHN WATHIER. Both of these gentlemen found the pollution problem of our fair city just too much and had to go to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for a very thorough bath. Or were the baths needed to alleviate some of the aches and pains of "mature age."..Father Time is also sneaking up on Mechanic ROBERT McCABE for his daughter, KATHLEEN, became a lovely bride on November 14...The powers to be must have felt sorry for Supervisor AL OCHWAT. Al, who was a regular fixture at Addison and Pulaski for so many years, is presently cruising the area in a squad car. Al, you still owe me 15 minutes from the year before last...Say, fellows, do you remember the long-haired garageman, C. FOLKEN? Rumor has it that he is retiring and intends to tour the USA. Folken is yet in his 20's. Maybe he has joined the road company of the show, "Hair."..A lucky lady who can also take an unlimited vacation is NELLIE GOLDMAN, the wife of our own SY GOLDMAN. Nell retired on October 2, but Sy didn't...Operator LUCIOUS SMITH and his wife picked up their marital option for another year on November 16...Special mention is in order for Operator N. NEIL's son, CARLIOS, who was 14 on November 24...Operator J. CARSON's son, DONALD, blew out four candles on November 8...SADIE O'NEAL, the wife of Operator BOB O'NEAL, birthdayed on November 20. Two very nice people...Clerk RONNIE MILLER had the audacity to tell me which birthday it was for his wife, BARBIE, October 19. I'm no dum-dum, Barbie, because I forgot how many years he said...The operators who gave thanks for another year in November are: W. SZYMELL, November 4; R. W. DECHERRIE, November 11; M. J. CHACHERE, November 13; L. E. HOWARD, November 14; L. FIELDS Jr., November 16; C. D. WARREN, November 19; L. O. HALL, November 25, and W. F. FOX, November 25...Well, gang, guess this wraps it up for this time, so with the winter season upon us, DRIVE DEFENSIVELY.

- Ernest C. Carter

THIS HAPPY young fellow is six-month old EDWARD GRZENIA III, the pride and joy of his grandfather, EDWARD GRZENIA I, stock clerk I, South Shops.

LIMITS -

Superintendent GEORGE MAY and his dear wife became grandparents for the second time when their son, GEORGE E., and their daughter-in-law, MARY, presented the family with a handsome baby boy, STEPHEN EDWARD. Congratulations to the proud parents and also to grandpa and grandma...Operator R. BROWN and his dear wife enjoyed a wonderful vacation in Santa Monica, California...Instructor J. D. BROGAN spent an enjoyable time in sunny Arizona where he reports that perfect weather can be had...Supervisor FRANK NORTON celebrated his 42nd year with the CTA. Frank, an instructor, is kept busy training the new men, doubly so since his partner, Supervisor JIM HENDERSON, was confined to the hospital. Congratulations on your length of service, Norton, and a speedy recovery to Jim...Operator CHARLEY KOENIG is back on the active list after being off for six weeks due to illness...Operator D. A. O'LEARY and D. A. MARR are confined to the hospital where they underwent surgery. A speedy recovery to you fellows...LARRY HIPPERT and his wife paid us a visit. They are enjoying retired life in sunny California...JOSEPH (Heinie) SCHALLER, who retired in 1957, is now living in Marissa, Illinois, R.R. 2. He welcomes any of his friends traveling in his part of the country...A big turnout for the Little Flower mass and breakfast at St. Patrick's church on October 25. Limits Station was well represented...Operator W. MITCHNER had the misfortune of having his Chevrolet Caprice stolen, but is now happy since it was recovered due to good police work...BERNARD KYLE, garage clerk, reports that Repairman BILL LAWTON has transferred to the Transportation Department as an operator, and FRANK HAGEN has transferred to Keeler Garage. Repairmen GEORGE and ROBERT are feeling very lonesome since these two men left...Welcome to EDWARD SULDA, our new relief foreman at Limits...Congratulations to BENNIE JONES and his dear wife on the arrival of their

second child, a baby boy...Our sincerest sympathy to the family of A. PARENTI who passed away after a lingering illness. . . ANN ENGLEHARDT, the mother of Operator GEORGE LUKA, passed away, and the father of ART BILLQUIST also passed away. Our deepest sympathy to you fellows.

- R. S. Benson

LOOP -

Retired Agent JERE VINZENS must have read in the old "Farmers Almanac" that we are in for a heavy snowfall and rough weather during December and January. She has taken leave of our city and moved to sunny California to live with her daughter...Retired Janitor PETE NAUGHTON Sr. is enjoying retirement, but gets lonesome for all his friends. When this happens, he takes a walk through the stations to say hello...We are sorry to hear that KATHI NAUGHTON, the youngest daughter of Supervisor PETE NAUGHTON Jr., has been ill. However, she is recuperating nicely at La Rabida sanitarium...JOHN FILIPEK has left the hospital and it looks like he will be back on the job shortly...MARY OHNESORGE is off the sick list, too. She returned to work a few days before her vacation began... Agent GERTRUDE YARDLY is in St. Anne's hospital at this writing undergoing surgery. We hope she will get well fast and be back soon...ANN CINCETTI planned to spend some of her vacation having a physical checkup at Duke university. We hope Ann will find relief from the bronchial problems that cause her discomfort. Come back smiling, Ann, with good news. WILBUR STRASSER is ill again in Illinois Masonic hospital. Your many friends are hoping for your speedy return to health, Wilbur...Our sympathy to the family of Retired Agent MAYME HANLEY who passed away on October 11...Belated birthday greetings to Agents MARY DOYLE, LOUISE DREWS, and FAY CAPRIO, and to Student Agent GABE BARNES who celebrated his birthday on August 26 when he had a party with his friends. Smiling GWEN WASH celebrated her birthday on November 20. May the next year be an extremely good one for all of you. ..Foot Collector SCOTT has an unusual hobby, he collects spoons from here, there, and everywhere. All donations to his collection will be gratefully accepted...Did you know-- FRANK LUCAS caught a very fast ball at Wrigley Field while watching a Cubs game? We feared we might lose an agent to one of the ball teams. Happily we've discovered Frank is still with us. How come, Frank?..Student Agent GABE BARNES is planning to be an obstetrician. All the success in the world to you, Gabe...We recently discovered that some of our agents are twins. They are: MORA HAASE, LOU PAYNE, and MARY MORGAN. If we've missed any let us know...JULIE MATTRON is just beaming; her daughter is going to present her with her third grandchild very soon. Julie's excitement is surpassed only by her husband, RAY's. The expectant parents celebrated their anniversary on October 15...Can you guess the agents who answer to these nicknames? Dinty, Stormy, Polly Prim, and Ace. Can't guess, we will clue you in next month...Agent MINNIE DIKEMAN has confessed her real name is HERMIONE but says to forget it. Minnie is keeping herself busy helping her sister with Christmas projects at Spaulding School for Crippled Children. It's really nice to know there are people like Minnie who still take time out to help and think of others less fortunate...Welcome to new Agents A. HAWKINS, D. BIBBS, NEVIS GARNETT, VICKI LYNN OTIS, FRED FREID, and LORRAINE BLACK. We hope you all enjoy your new positions...Through the efforts

PICTURED HERE is Pensioned Agent ANN O'CONNOR with her son, RICHARD McVICKER, a Chicago fireman. Richard was honored at a City Council meeting on October 6, and was presented an honorable mention award for heroism when he rescued four small children from a burning building on June 17.

of Agent JO DILLON and Janitor BROWN, the Ridgeland Avenue station is sparkling clean and looks most attractive. The colorful flowers Jo has placed about the booth lend a cheerful and colorful touch. Your co-reporter, MILDRED DOYLE, enjoys working there on Saturdays when Jo is off. ..Janitor E. SCHULTZ is back on the Congress line working with the cleaning crew. Watch those stations take on new sparkle now...Pensioner EDWARD KAIN and his wife have been living in St. Petersburg, Florida, for the past eight years. Every year they have been spending their vacation in Mount Prospect, Illinois, but this year they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Their two daughters, Mrs. HARRY ULCEK and Mrs. HARRY BRUHL, both of Mount Prospect, and their son, E. KAIN of Villa Park, arranged a surprise dinner for them. It took place on June 27 at the Village Green restaurant in Mundelein, Illinois. Attending were: Mr. and Mrs. K. PRATHER, their two daughters and two great-granddaughters; RALPH and JUDY RIVARD from Escanaba, Michigan, with their great-granddaughter; RACHEL and BRUCE KAIN with their one month old great-grandson, CASEY; Ed's brother, JAMES A. (Jimmy) KAIN, a Lake Street trainman and board member of Division 308, and other friends and former co-workers. The festivities lasted until the early hours and all had a great time...Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Retired Agent BERNADETTE HAYES who had been on disability pension for some time. Bernadette formerly worked on the Congress line...Please, all agents, retired agents, students, and anyone else, give us your help by calling if you have any news. We hope to hear from you soon...Keep smiling!

- Mildred Doyle & Mary Witted

MILWAUKEE, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Congratulations to Superintendent JIM ROBERTS who became a grandfather for the first time on October 17 when his son, JAMES Jr., and his wife became the proud parents of a baby boy, JAMES RICHARD, weighing 9 pounds 2 ounces and measuring 21 inches long. His father says it's a cinch he will be a basketball player as he is always dribbling. PATRICK ROBERTS is expected home on a 30-day leave from Rota, Spain. Pat is in the Navy. Both of the Roberts boys worked for CTA as student conductors on the West Section when they were in college...LONNIE L. NELSON Sr. is back to work after being off for a year recuperating from leg surgery...West Section Janitor LEE spent most of his vacation fixing up the home he bought in Princeton, Indiana. Maybe he is getting ready to retire as he was seen driving a dusty gold Grand Prix and wearing a new

double-breasted suit, also...BETTY RUSSO is home recuperating from a gall bladder operation. Good luck, Betty... VIRGINIA OJER is sporting a new 1970 Pontiac Bonneville with all the trimmings. She says she hopes she can get enough work to make the payments...GWEN WASH, who transferred from the South Section to the West Section recently, is back to work after having an appendix operation. Gwen celebrated her 18th birthday on November 20...MARY JO OHNESORGE is now off the sick list and on vacation. We hope you have a swell time making up for all the bad days you have had this year, Mary...DOROTHY PARKER is still on the sick list, but is hoping to be back soon. Washington and Madison just isn't the same without her there... Assignment Agent LIL CULLINAN spent a week of her vacation in Wisconsin and traveling along the Mississippi just to see the autumn countryside which is beautiful this time of the year...Hello to everyone from SPIRO LAMPROS! Spiro stopped by the assignment office and was asked how he liked being on pension. He replied, "Today is the tomorrow that we were worrying about yesterday." He is one guy that is really enjoying today...Assignment Agent CECELIA ROPA had a busy day Sunday, October 18, when one of her daughters was confirmed and the other celebrated her birthday...Part-time Agent JOHN SAMAAN has resigned from CTA. We are hoping to see him back in January...Part-time Agent LEE WILSON also resigned, but won't be back for awhile. He has some reading and traveling to do...Welcome to the CTA to all the recently hired agents, and to JAMES MACON who recently returned as a part-time agent...Part-time Agent FRED TRIEM is working on his Ph.D. at University of Illinois Circle Campus. He is writing his thesis on vitamin D, the sunshine vitamin... Superintendent MIKE LaVELLE has been transferred to assistant station superintendent at Howard Street, and Relief Superintendent RON BAKER has been made temporary assistant superintendent on the West Section. We hope you both enjoy your new jobs...DON LEMM, former relief superintendent on the West Section, and the most frequently transferred superintendent on the system, has been named administrative assistant to CTA Board Chairman G. L. DeMENT. What more can we say but, congratulations, good luck, and it couldn't have happened to a nicer guy...Assignment Agent MIKE TOBIN spent his vacation watching the world series and doing a little shopping. I'd say he did quite a bit as he came back with a new 1970 Nova...We saw Former Agent SUE SMYK the other day and she has lost a lot of weight and looks great. She is looking for a job, and thinking of going to graduate school...TED ZDEB was around recently and said that Former Agent IVORY DAY is getting married soon. He also said that BARBARA POSUCHE is doing great with her teaching but misses her friends at CTA...Some of the student agents are being issued new tag numbers. So, make sure you memorize your new number...ROY GREEN, Lake Street agent, has resigned following the death of his wife...Superintendent KEN BROWN was recently cited for a heroic deed when he saved a family from a burning car following an accident on the Douglas line. This world could use more people like him... Your co-reporter, GRACE MOUNTS, and her husband went to Ludington, Michigan, on October 30 where three of her sisters met her and they went to visit another sister and brother-in-law before they left for Florida for the winter. Her sister has a cottage on Big Star lake...Part-time Agent ALLAN KERN and his wife are the proud parents of a baby boy, ALLAN CHRISTOPHER, born in September. Congratulations...We extend our deepest sympathy to MINNIE DIKEMAN on the loss of her brother on October 29...Leader of the Loop scrub gang, STEVE CUNNINGHAM, is in Holy Cross hospital with back trouble. Here's hoping he has a speedy recovery...If you know of anyone who isn't getting his Transit News, please notify your reporters or the Transit News office.

- Grace Mounts & Katy Moriarty

DEBORAH AYOTTE, the daughter of North Park Operator ROGER AYOTTE, is an accomplished organist who won first place in her class and was the recipient of the Governor's trophy at the 1970 Illinois State Fair. This is the second trophy Deborah has won this year.

NORTH AVENUE -

Thanks to Clerk WALTER BLIX for the news from the Inner Sanctum. To you, that means the front office. There have been several birthdays in the office recently. Since none of them are complete without high-caloried birthday cakes, most of those boys are likely candidates for a weight-watchers club. Belated birthday greetings are extended to the following: Clerks ART OLSON and AL RHODE, Switchboard Operator WALTER BLIX, and two outstanding gentlemen from our sanitary engineering department, EDDIE LYNCH and RAY JOBLECKI...At this writing several of the office personnel are on vacation. We know that Clerk ED WITEK and his wife put their little home companion in a kennel and headed for the Ozarks...If Doorman TOM DOBBYN and Clerk TOM HICKEY get real lucky they might even make it to Backporch, USA...By this time Night Superintendent WILLIAM MOSER, along with his wife, daughter, KATHY, and son, BILL, should be back from their vacation. Since this was Kathy's first trip in a flying machine, we wonder if she is convinced that they are here to stay. Before their trip, Mrs. Moser's mother, Mrs. J. NEUMANN, underwent surgery at Bethany Methodist hospital. It shouldn't be long before she's up and around again. Maybe just one small prayer from each and everyone of us would speed up grandma's recovery...On their recent vacation, Clerk BOB STACH and Switchboard Operator LOU DRAPP, along with their friends and families, discovered that the best place to be during a tornado is crouched behind a bar. Luckily they came through it without any injuries although the same cannot be said for the rooms they occupied, the boats, or Bob's car. Among some of the visitors to the area after the storm were former Forest Glen Operator EDDIE DEITZ and his wife... Superintendent FRANK BUETOW is now home from the hospital and we are hoping to see him back soon fully recovered...Our suggestion to Clerk ART ECKER when he leaves the station in the afternoon is that he check the corner more carefully. There may be someone there who would appreciate a ride home in his Maverick. While on the subject of cars, Clerk WALTER BROWN feels that

there is one accessory that should be standard equipment on all new cars, namely, a gas station...The fish story to end all fish stories is the one Operator D. CARLSON tells about the place where he goes fishing at the tip of Northern Michigan. At times there are so many fish that it's difficult to drop the hook in the water and the fish actually fight over which one is going to get the hook first. This I'd have to see...Supervisor DAVE EGGERSDORF went north to Pentewell Lake to go fishing. He caught five northern pike. He returned in time to celebrate his 14th wedding anniversary. Our congratulations to him and his wife...North Avenue Depot operators received coffee and rolls for having the fewest complaints and most commendations for the month of September. Let's all work for the "no accident" award. Don't follow other buses or passenger cars too closely. Allow extra space for braking. Watch out for school children. Slow down in the winter months when all the rain, ice, and snow make driving difficult. Let's use our defensive driving skills...The employes whose names appear here have been outstanding among those who daily meet and serve our customers, and have been designated as "Employes of the Year": W. Arndt, W. Baran, R. Brennan, A. Brindley, E. Broderick, R. Brooks, E. Brown, J. Cabay, E. Cabay, E. Calabrisi, C. Carlson, K. Chrabasz, P. Dowdall, E. Dowling, R. Ellison, E. Feierseisel, L. Ford, H. Forster, H. Fredrickson, A. French, R. Gaess, S. Gianpipcolo, D. Gorski, W. Grzesinski, J. Gude, E. Gundlach, G. Hall, P. Hansen, L. Hart, R. Horoszko, P. Hukill, C. Jackson, A. Jacques, M. Kehoe, R. Kelly, A. Kemp, J. Krzak, D. Laboy, H. Lindemann, W. Loubsky, A. Lowery, R. Lugiai, H. Malczewski, J. Maloney, E. Mannion, G. Martinson, F. Mathiesen, A. Matulis, C. McKenzie, G. McLellan, J. Meyer, W. Miedema, K. Miller, W. Moreland, G. Morsi, D. Napoleon, E. Neuman, A. Palicki, W. Pamper, E. Pearson, J. Pelikan, H. Peterson, T. Philpott, E. Pommering, R. Rahn, T. Rapey, C. Redemski, W. Redmond, J. Reilly, J. Rochowiak, W. Rowin, R. Scholtens, P. Seibel, M. Sikes, T. Swider, E. Szarek, A. Thiel, C. Treanor, E. Tronvic, L. Urbon, P. Wageman, A. Walker, J. Whalen, J. Wilczynski, H. Wilson, B. Witt, E. Woodside, R. Zielinski, and B. Zody. Let's have some teamwork, I know you are all capable of making the list for next year...Operator FRANK NORLACK passed away on October 10. Interment was in California. Our sympathy goes to his family. Psalm 23:6, "I will dwell in the House of the Lord forever."..Operator EDWARD SZAREK's son, ALFRED, was mustered out of the service and is now practicing psychiatry in Lake Forest. He was formerly a student CTA bus operator...We received a welcome letter from Pensioner BILL ECHOLS who continues to sing the praises of Hot Springs, Arkansas. He says it's the best place in the country for pensioners because of the beautiful weather, lower cost of living, and clean air and water. We had a nice visit with Pensioner LARS ERNEST PEARSON who, with his wife, ANNA, was visiting friends in Chicago. He's very enthusiastic about Mountain Home, Arkansas. Ernie looks great, also well dressed. When he left Mountain Home he left something behind--his suits and shirts. When he got here he had to buy a new wardrobe...Pensioner ERNEST BOCK is home from the hospital and on the mend...The Town Hall Assembly, of which the vice-president is your scribe, held its Autumn Ball on October 23. At my table I enjoyed the company of Operator AARON AMOS and his wife, CATALINA; my son, BILL MIEDEMA, clerk at Forest Glen, and his wife, JACKIE, and Jackie's parents. If you have never seen Aaron and Catalina on the dance floor, you've missed something. Fred Astaire, move over!

- William Miedema

EXCHANGING MARRIAGE vows on August 16 at Christ the King Catholic church were Mr. and Mrs. RAYMOND PRYOR Jr. The groom is the son of Supervising Instructor RAYMOND PRYOR Sr., Surface-South. The bride is the former Miss MARY PATRICIA NUGENT.

NORTH PARK -

The North Park Credit Union's annual business meeting will be held Friday, January 8, at River Park fieldhouse, 5100 N. Francisco avenue, at 8 p.m. Dividends will be declared and refreshments will be served with drawings for door prizes. All members are urged to attend...Operator RICHARD HALLIGAN and his wife, JO, and their poodle, Ricky, drove throughout Florida on their vacation. Visits were made to Fort Myers, Sarasota, St. Petersburg, Silver Springs, Port Everglades, and Miami...Operator HARVEY SMITH and his wife, MARY, and children, RAYMOND, OSCAR, and HARVEY Jr., vacationed at Staples, Minnesota, where Harvey's father, Mr. GEORGE SMITH, lives. Also on the agenda was a week's visit at Moorhead, Minnesota, to visit Harvey's brother, Mr. WESLEY SMITH. Operator JOHN KIPPES and his wife, VIRGINIA, went on a Cartan 16-day vacation tour to the Canadian Rockies. Points of interest were visits to Lake Louise, Vancouver, the Victoria Islands, and Portland, Oregon. The Butcharts Gardens of Victoria were considered the highlights of the trip by the Kippes...Instructor ART HIGGINS flew to Reno, Nevada, on his vacation. Also on the agenda were a few days at Lake Tahoe. While returning through the Great Lakes area, Art and a friend of his, Detective TOM McCALL, caught several cohos, one of which weighed 15 pounds...Operator PETE DOLAN and his wife, ROSALEEN, and their children vacationed at Twin Lakes, Wisconsin. Pete's mother, Mrs. LILY DOLAN, of Dublin, Ireland, spent two months visiting Pete and his family and was a proud witness at the swearing in when Pete and Rosaleen became American citizens...Operator JOHN GUZALDO and his wife, ROSALIE, and sister-in-law, Miss CONNIE CELANO, flew to Paris, France, where they rented a car. The next stop was Nice, France, where they boarded a boat for a seven-day Mediterranean cruise. They visited Malta, Corfu, Sardinia, and the Yugoslavian Islands. Also on the agenda were visits to Cologne and Munich, Germany... BETTY DES PARTES, the wife of Operator JOE DES PARTES, along with a friend, Mrs. LOUISE GOTTLECK, flew on a 747 jet to Frankfurt, Germany. The girls then visited Vienna, Austria, where they rented a car and drove to Yugoslavia with the first stop at Zagreb. Then on to Karlovac with a trip along the Adriatic Coast to Dubrovnik. Leaving the car at Dubrovnik the girls flew to Lucerne, Switzerland, where they joined a tour group for visits to

Stresa, Venice, Florence, Rome, and La Sprzia, Italy, and then on to Nice, Lyon, and Paris, France, and then home... Operator HANK NEWMAN and his wife, LEONA, vacationed at Daytona Beach, Florida. Trips to Cape Kennedy, St. Augustine, and Smyra Beach were followed by a week at Town Creek, Alabama, where the Newmans enjoyed real southern hospitality...Operator FRED ANHALT and his wife, ANN, vacationed at Fort Collins, Colorado, where their son, FRED Jr., is a master sergeant in the U.S. Army. The Anhalts, along with Fred Jr., and his wife, TOSHI, enjoyed visits to the Rocky Mountain National Park and the Air Force Academy...Welcome back to Operator LARRY SHIELDS who has returned to work after being off for six months...Operator ADOLPH ZENDRYCZKI was a recent winner in the 1970 Irish Sweepstakes, and we are sure that Mrs. ZENDRYCZKI has plans for the bonanza... Operator ELI PESTINE and his wife, RUTH, have purchased a new condominium apartment located near Old Orchard and expect to move into their new surroundings on May 1, 1971...Operator PETER DOLAN made his second appearance as an actor when he protrayed the role of Mr. McGuire in the play "The Shadow of a Gunman", which was presented November 6, 7, and 8 at the Hamilton theater in Oak Park, Illinois...Operator BRENDEN GREGG was again selected as house manager when the Council of Irish Arts presented their annual production...Pensioner AL REMACK and his wife, DOROTHY, are still on the go. This time they reported from Olympia, Washington, Mt. Ranier, Oregon, Reno, Lake Tahoe, Las Vegas, San Francisco, Sequoia and Yosemite National Parks, and Death Valley. Also on the agenda was a visit with Pensioner JOHN JACOBY and his wife of Scottsdale, Arizona...ROGER HORNING, the son of Operator MEL HORNING, was inducted into the U.S. Army and is receiving his basic training at Fort Lewis in Seattle, Washington...NICK ZAHN, formerly an operator at North Park, is now working as a checker in the Schedule Department and reports he likes his new position.

DANIEL COSTLEY, a repairman at Forest Glen and the son of Supervisor LARRY and MARY COSTLEY, was married on Saturday, October 17, to Miss LINDA FELDEN at St. Monica's church in Carpentersville, Illinois. The reception held at the V.F.W. hall in West Dundee was attended by 250 guests. The young couple honeymooned in the Ozarks and will be at home in Carpentersville...Miss JACQUELINE MORRIS, the daughter of Assistant Superintendent JACK and DOROTHY MORRIS, was married on November 7 to WILLIAM WILSON at St. Peter's church. The reception was held at American Turner hall located on West Belmont avenue and was attended by 200 guests. The young couple honeymooned at the Wagon Wheel located in Rockton, Illinois. Jacqueline formerly worked in the Employe Relations Department of CTA. Street Collector TONY GLOPPE and his wife, JENNIE, celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on October 5 by attending the production of "My Fair Lady" at Theater In the Round...Happy anniversaries are extended to: Operator BERT SCHWARTZ and his wife, LINDA, their second; Operator FRED BOLDT and his wife, AGNES, their 38th; Signal Maintainer JAMES NESBIT and his wife, MARGE, their 32nd; Pensioner STANLEY ZALE and his wife, MARIE, their 42nd; Sanitary Engineer STANLEY GUSTAFSON and his wife, RUTH, their 31st, and Operator FRED STOWELL and his wife, WILMA, their 35th... Happy birthdays are extended to: Operators BILL STEINSPRING and LEO HARA, Pensioners BILL SEIFERT and VERN WENNERBERG, CAROL, BILLY, and EILEEN STRITZEL, and Clerk BOB PETERSON...Operator STANLEY ZALE retired on November 1 and we at North Park would like to wish him many years of golden age living. Stanley's future plans are to travel and enjoy his hobby of golf...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to the families of Operator HERMAN WEYLAND who passed away suddenly, and Operator JOE A. JONES on the loss of his beloved wife, ANNA...Repair Department Chit Chat: Foreman CHARLES DUNNE retired on November 1 with 35 years of service. Charlie was honored with a grand party at the garage and received several gifts from his many coworkers. Future plans call for more time to fish and another trip to Ireland to visit his relatives...Assistant Foreman JOE COUGHLIN and his wife, DOROTHY, vacationed for a week in Iowa and helped Joe's parents celebrate their 50th anniversary...A hearty welcome is extended to ALVIN HUBBARD who comes to North Park as p.m. foreman... Congratulations are extended to BILL CANTWELL who has passed his repairman's course and is now taking good care of our equipment...Congratulations are extended to Garage Instructor WALTER HALLFORD and his wife, BERNICE, who celebrated their 43rd wedding anniversary on October 22 with a dinner at Schulien's restaurant, with their son and his wife hosting the party...Enjoying fall vacations at this time are: Night Foreman JOHN HENNELLY, Repairmen ED PALA, GENE BRACH, and ROBERT LORENTZ...Repairman FRANK (The Cat) SCHENDEL has prepared his supply of hog meat and is taking orders for freezer storage...Your reporter and all the personnel at North Park wish you and yours a glorious Thanksgiving and hope you remember to give thanks for your many blessings.

- Melvin Horning

OPERATOR CHARLES STROCKIS, North Avenue, proudly displays the 8-pound coho solmon he cought while fishing in Lake Michigon, 15 miles off the shores of Waukegon.

NORTH SECTION -

Many of us have missed the student agents who have returned to school, and quite a few were transferred to the West Side. Good luck to all of you...We wish to welcome back into our midst Ticket Agent AVIV ZALCBERG who was in the service for two years...We also welcome new agent SOL SCURTI. Sol was also in the service, and comes from a CTA family. His brother, JACK, and his uncle, VINCE, both work out of North Avenue Station...BETTY CARAKER was touring California for three weeks with her family...Agents FEDELMA HENRY and BETTY HAWKINS spent their vacations in the Smoky Mountains and had a ball. Fedelma's sister and brother-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. O'TOOLE, spent three enjoyable weeks in Chicago from Ireland. Fedelma sure hated to see them return to Ireland.

recent deaths

DOMINICK ALBERGO, 73, North Section,
Emp. 4-28-20, Died 9-3-70
AGATINO BELLO, 69, Track,
Emp. 10-1-42, Died 9-2-70
NELS M. BENGTSON, 82, 77th Street,
Emp. 5-15-13, Died 9-2-70
SAM BIARDO, 82, Track,
Emp. 1-28-25, Died 9-3-70
JAMES BITTAKIS, 60, Limits,
Emp. 10-26-45, Died 7-24-70
BALDASSARE BRUNO, 68, Const. & Maint.,
Emp. 5-20-26, Died 9-9-70
SYGMUNT L. BRZOZOWSKI, 61, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 11-15-50, Died 9-30-70
THEODORE BUTURUSIS, 78, 77th Street,
Emp. 4-1-20, Died 9-22-70
BETTY CONN, 57, North Section,
Emp. 8-14-47, Died 8-31-70
EARL R. COX, 68, Forest Glen,
Emp. 3-21-27, Died 9-6-70
JAMES COX, 69, Limits,
Emp. 8-26-29, Died 9-24-70
JOHN G. COZZENS, 56, West Section
Emp. 8-22-45, Died 8-27-70
JOSEPH P. DALY, 64, North Section,
Emp. 8-9-44, Died 9-24-70
JAMES DAWSON, 87, Kedzie,
Emp. 10-7-09, Died 9-1-70
KLEME DRAGOVICH, 80, Way & Structures,
Emp. 11-8-23, Died 9-9-70
FRED GAMBINO, 83, Way & Structures,
Emp. 8-16-25, Died 9-14-70
PATRICK GILROY, 74, North Avenue,
Emp. 11-20-19, Died 9-6-70
MAMIE GOODALL, 95, South Section,
Emp. 9-28-20, Died 9-14-70
FRANK G. HESS, 64, North Section,
Emp. 11-7-42, Died 9-3-70
CASIMIR HICKS, 71, North Park,
Emp. 4-4-29, Died 8-20-70
HUGO L. HOLM, 84, 69th Street,
Emp. 12-7-10, Died 8-30-70
THOMAS W. JACEK, 68, Lawndale,
Emp. 5-3-27, Died 9-26-70
CLARENCE JONES, 43, West Section,
Emp. 3-19-56, Died 8-21-70
THOMAS W. KALATO, 66, Archer,
Emp. 2-1-28, Died 9-28-70
JOSEPH L. KANE, 57, Kedzie,
Emp. 6-3-46, Died 9-9-70
THOMAS KING, 62, West Section,
Emp. 6-30-30, Died 9-20-70
NICK C. LOOMOS, 90, Blue Island,
Emp. 7-29-09, Died 9-10-70
THOMAS P. LYONS, 58, Limits,
Emp. 11-24-36, Died 8-17-70

..Our condolences to PAT TRENT on the loss of her mother, and to the family of JOSEPH DALY. Joe worked out of Kimball Avenue...We are hoping to see Conductor ARTHUR JOOST back at Kimball Avenue soon. Art underwent surgery on his back, and at this writing, is in Swedish Covenant hospital. Our best wishes to him for a speedy recovery...Congratulations to Conductor and Mrs. KENNETH E. MOFFATT who became the proud parents of a baby boy, SCOTT MAC DONALD, born on September 15 weighing 7 pounds 3 ounces...Birthday greetings to Agent GERTHA WILLIAMS, October 28, and to Supervisor ROBERT THOMAS, October 24. Neither one would tell their age...Collector JOE GOLDBERG really went all out for the kids on his split time. Joe stood on the corner and collected $352 for the Kiwanis Club. Good work, Joe...We lost Superintendent LEMM almost as soon as he arrived on the North Side. Mr. Lemm is now in the General Office, and we all send him our best wishes...Sorry the news is so short this time, but what I don't receive, I can't print.

- Tina Henke

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

Mr. and Mrs. RAY DAGENAIS, their daughter, and son-in-law vacationed together for three weeks. They went to the Grand Canyon and then to Yosemite National Park where they stayed for several days. Ray said that this is a real good place for nature lovers. Then, it was on to Las Vegas and Reno. They had a good time there, but didn't win anything. Going up to the ski resorts at Lake Tahoe to see the beautiful view was the way they brought their vacation to a close. The weather was beautiful and all had a good time...EVA MARCIN and her husband, EMIL, flew to Phoenix, Arizona, for their vacation. This was Eva's first flight and she was a little nervous about getting on a plane, but now I think she likes flying. During their ten-day stay they visited with relatives and went sightseeing. The weather was beautiful and they had a wonderful time... JACK TCHELEBIAN and his wife, SIMONE, drove along the Mississippi river to New Orleans. They went sightseeing and on an enjoyable river cruise. It was then back in the car and on to Tampa and St. Petersburg for some swimming and relaxation. They also went to Sarasota to see the Ringling Home and Museum. After being away for ten days they returned home for a couple weeks of rest... We now take you to the dark continent of Africa, with its jungles, wild animals, native tribes, and intriguing beauty. CHARLES E. KEISER and his wife, MYRA, began their vacation at Dakar and then went to Johannesburg. They saw the magnificent Victoria Falls (343 feet high) on the Zambezi river. This was truly a sight to behold. At the Amboseli game reserve, they photographed many animals with Mt. Kilimanjaro in the background. While in northern Kenya, they stayed at a lodge called Treetops, which is built in the branches of cape chestnut trees. One of the highlights of their trip was going to the Ngorongoro Crater. The view from their room on its edge was absolutely beautiful. They saw a lake in the distance which looked like a cake with pink frosting, but after a closer look through binoculars they found it was a great number of flamingos. From this vantage point they were also able to see many different animals. They went to many game parks which were very interesting. After seeing different native tribes,

among employes

SPIROS V. MATSOUKAS, 87, North Avenue,
Emp. 1-1-51, Died 7-24-70
JOHN McFALL, 74, Beverly,
Emp. 5-11-29, Died 9-16-70
WILLIAM McGUIRE, 79, South Section,
Emp. 6-10-14, Died 8-24-70
ROY G. MILLER, 64, 69th Street,
Emp. 3-29-34, Died 9-19-70
BEN NEALY, 48, 61st Street,
Emp. 1-22-51, Died 7-30-70
JOSEPH NIEDZIELAK, 78, West Section,
Emp. 3-19-14, Died 9-17-70
FRANK NORLOCK, 60, North Avenue,
Emp. 4-22-37, Died 10-10-70
AXEL PETERSEN, 68, Howard Street,
Emp. 3-26-40, Died 9-12-70
STEVEN POLLACK, 78, Lawndale,
Emp. 12-31-19, Died 9-7-70
JOSEPH S. RASINSKI, 77, West Shops,
Emp. 10-18-20, Died 9-11-70
PETER RAUDONIS, 57, 77th Street,
Emp. 7-7-42, Died 7-18-70
HENRY G. REIFF, 75, Transportation,
Emp. 10-18-27, Died 9-4-70
GORDON RICE, 48, North Park,
Emp. 3-21-46, Died 8-18-70
HERBERT RICHMOND, 61, North Avenue,
Emp. 10-15-41, Died 9-14-70
GEORGE A. ROESING, 77, Transportation,
Emp. 12-16-13, Died 9-14-70
RUDOLPH P. SIKES, 73, Forest Glen,
Emp. 2-25-27, Died 9-30-70
EDWARD J. SMITH, 50, Beverly,
Emp. 5-4-42, Died 8-18-70
GEORGE SNEAD, 64, North Avenue,
Emp. 2-3-43, Died 7-27-70
IGNAS STASKUNAS, 83, South Shops,
Emp. 2-26-26, Died 9-28-70
WILLIAM F. STUEBNER, 80, 77th Street,
Emp. 3-30-12, Died 9-22-70
CHRISTO J. TAPAS, 84, South Shops,
Emp. 10-1-18, Died 8-2-70
HENRY ULRICH, 81, Track,
Emp. 10-17-26, Died 9-19-70
CLIFFORD WAGNER, 56, 77th Street,
Emp. 6-14-48, Died 10-5-70
RICHARD LEE WALKER, 23, Lawndale,
Emp. 5-9-68, Died 8-9-70
HERMAN WEYLAND, 59, North Park,
Emp. 3-14-46, Died 10-7-70
HAROLD E. WILLIAMS, 48, Kedzie,
Emp. 10-4-48, Died 8-25-70
JESSE WILLIAMS, 59, 61st Street,
Emp. 6-15-53, Died 9-11-70
WITOLD B. ZUKOWSKI, 76, Forest Glen,
Emp. 5-11-44, Died 9-11-70

they singled out the Masai as the most fascinating tribe of all. The only shooting done by the Keisers was with their cameras. It was a fabulous three-week vacation, which I'm sure they will always remember...AUDREY PETERSON and her husband, HOWARD, spent most of their vacation showing Audrey's cousin around Chicago. They drove her cousin home and then went on a tour of Marinette county in Wisconsin to take in the beauty of the fall colors. They relaxed the last weekend at White Pine State Park then returned home after a busy and enjoyable two weeks.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

We would like to welcome B. BRANDON to our department; he recently transferred from Lawndale Station...We are happy to see that PETE PETERSON, CHARLIE GAGE, TOM McKEON, and JOE HAAS have returned to work after recent illnesses. A speedy recovery is extended to TONY CALABRESE, FRANK VAN GEENEN, and RON MENDYK who are presently off sick...On November 1, FRANK HOLZER retired from the CTA and began his life of leisure. Among those on hand to wish him the best of luck and good health were JOE MULREE, ELMER FEHLHABER, CHARLEY BELASICH, and PETE CARPINO...OSCAR JOHNSON did a little traveling on his vacation. He went to Washington, D.C., to visit his mother and also to see T. DAVIS, a former CTA employe. New York City and Canada were among the places he stopped at...Other vacationers were A. CRAYCRAFT who traveled in Canada by driving around Lake Superior, BILL HART who spent some time in New Jersey, O. W. JOHNSON who went to Iowa, R. O'GORMAN who went up to Wisconsin, and WALTER WANGERO who did some traveling, but didn't tell us where.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

JOHN LIPKA is one of approximately 15 people who belong to the Soldier Field Parking Lot 7:30 a.m. bus club. Since the same people ride the bus just about every day, they got to be friends, and have coffee every Wednesday morning. One day John decided he would take a picture of the group so he got them all together, took the reading and then found out he didn't have any film in the camera. He said he is going to try again. Better luck next time, John.

- Colette Szczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

We hope that everyone had an enjoyable Thanksgiving, and that they were back in shape and ready to get back to work on Friday. Now all we have to do is get ready for Christmas and New Years. Well, here's the news...On September 1 MARGARET HANSON, Purchasing Department, retired. She will be missed and we wish her health and happiness...VIRGINIA RZEZNIK, Purchasing, spent a one-week vacation in Hawaii. HELEN TOTH, also from Purchasing, received a postcard from Virginia in which she states she is suffering from "Polynesian Paralysis." It's one affliction Helen wishes she had. Helen, by the way, comments she can now play "Aloha O" on her organ. Continuing with Virginia's vacation, highlights of her trip included a sailboat ride on a catamaran, her stay at Kailua-Kona, a town on the island of Hawaii, and snorkeling. She states she would like to return someday to the outer islands of Hawaii...MARY BETH MURRAY, Purchasing, is very, very happy as her boyfriend has returned to Chicago on a

THE HAPPY bride and groom are Mr. and Mrs. WILLIE FLOYD who were united in holy matrimony on September 27 at Resurrection Parish church. Willie is a Lake Street motorman, while his bride, the former JOAN HAYWOOD, is the daughter of West Section Ticket Agent WILLA MAE HAYWOOD.

leave of absence from the air force. He will be home for five weeks...Purchasing's ANN JOBARIS spent five days of her vacation chatting with her sister in southern Illinois. The remaining two weeks were spent relaxing at home... HANK FULLRIEDE, Specifications, has every reason to be proud of his son, RICHARD, these days. He was pictured in the Waterloo Courier newspaper for his fine talent as an offensive tackle on the Norsemen football team at Luther college...FRANK MAGUIRE, Specifications, and his wife, ANN, spent a weekend in September at Hartford, Connecticut, for a wedding and family reunion...We extend a big welcome to SHARON HAMILTON who became our recent addition to the Stores Department office working force. Sharon worked for CTA before, but resigned to become a housewife. We're very happy to see her return...IRENE PETERSON is smiling quite a bit. Why? Maybe it's because her daughter, CAROLYN, and her son-in-law, RICHARD, recently returned to the U.S. after a 20-month stay in Okinawa. Richard was stationed there while serving in the army. Carolyn and Richard will be permanently residing in Berwyn. Irene, who is from Stores, says they are looking good, in fine health, and everyone is happy they are home once again...GEORGE LINDEN, Stores, Skokie, recently returned from a short trip. He and his wife stopped at Galena, Illinois, to see the home of Ulysses S. Grant, our 18th president. George also took a boat ride down the Mississippi river and visited the Palisades. I wonder if he ran into Tom Sawyer. Anyway, his vacation was delightful but the weather could have been better, it rained almost every day...HELEN SLATTERY, Stores, Skokie, and her husband camped near Silver Springs, Florida, and were really impressed with Cape Kennedy. They stopped and visited with DOROTHY STEMBRIDGE who formerly worked for CTA at Skokie. Dorothy gives her regards to everyone at CTA. Helen and her hubby also visited the Smoky Mountains in Tennessee, Vicksburg, Mississippi, and traveled along the Gulf of Mexico...DOROTHY DOLJANIN, Storeroom 20, Blue Island, spent her vacation in Salt Lake City, Utah. While most of us spent our vacations taking in the nice warm weather, Dorothy observed much cold weather and snow, especially at Mt. Rushmore, South Dakota. She also visited Lake Geneva, Wisconsin...DONALD TARNOWSKI, Stores, South Shops, had a most unusual vacation. He spent his vacation trying to "soup-up" his car. He didn't succeed. Sorry about that, Donald...We give a big welcome to South Shops' new laborer, THOMAS SEARS. We're glad to have you with us, Tom...We're pleased to see JAMES LYONS, Stores, South Shops, up and about again after his stay at Veterans hospital...BILL NOVAK, South Shops, spent his vacation visiting his daughter in Iowa...Covering 6,000 miles on a three-week vacation is really something; and that's just what TOM SKVARLA did. He went to Wyoming, Mt. Rushmore, Yellowstone National Park, and parts of California. He had several scares while driving through the mountains, but enjoyed the fantastic scenery. Only one thing to remember while driving through the mountains--d-d-don't look d-d-down!..Boy, some people have all the luck, it seems. Would you believe that STANLEY HALL, assistant divisional storekeeper at Storeroom 48, and his wife spent their 5th honeymoon at Three Lakes, Wisconsin. Fishing was not so good, he says, but the foliage was beautiful.

- Cathy Raschick & John Gill

SOUTH SECTION -

Where has this year gone? It sure has flown by fast. Here it is November, and just around the corner are the holidays. Hope you and yours have a happy Thanksgiving and don't eat too much turkey...Oh did our Chief Clerk JIM MARTINEK and his wife, DOROTHY, have a marvelous trip. They toured Japan, China, Hong Kong, and Thailand. He said that the Orient is really interesting. The countries are much more modern than we think. He rode the bullet-fast train in Japan, saw the Red China border, the floating markets, Buddah temples, Geisha girl dancers, Oriental restaurants, and many others. He said that the people in these countries treat you with politeness and kindness. It was a three-week experience he and his wife will never forget...Passing out cigars was Conductor STANLEY ZIELINSKI whose son and daughter-in-law had a baby girl recently who was named DEANNA MARIE. "Staus" is a grandpa now for the second time...It's good to see Conductors ED TORMEY and HINTON STOCKTON back working after being on the sick list...Retired Agent MAE DRISCOLL stopped in to visit with us. She had just come back from a trip to Hot Springs and she looked wonderful...Greetings and salutations to recently-hired Conductors KENDELL REED, GERALD LITTRICE, CURTIS MORRIS, JAMES GRIFFIN, GARLAND NICKERSON, JAMES WILLIAMS, EDLOW DUNN, LAWRENCE FEW, MICHAEL BEAL, WALTER JOINER, and CONRAD MORRIS. Also welcome to the new agents transferred from the Surface Division: EARNEST WILLIAMS and EDWARD GREEN, and newly-hired Agents JENNIFER JOHNSON, VERNA STUTTLEY, ROSE TATE, and LINDA SCOTT...We regret having to tell you that Pensioned Agent LILLIAN RUSSELL and Pensioned Conductor JIMMIE WHITTAKER passed away. Our sincere condolences to their families...Another one of our outstanding employes took his pension on October 1, Conductor MICHAEL RUDDY, who was employed in 1943. The men at Ashland had a nice little get-together for him and we had ham sandwiches, rolls, and coffee. A token of remembrance was presented to Michael. Some of our pensioners who came out to give him a nice send-off were: Retired Motorman ED HENNESSY, Retired Towerman PATRICK HICKEY, Retired Yard Foreman JOHN LEMKE, Retired International Vice President PAT GANLEY, and a few others. Much good luck and happiness is wished Mr. Ruddy...Retired Conductor WILLIAM HUNNIFORD dropped in for a visit and to tell us that he is a grandfather again. His son and daughter-in-law had a little baby girl named CHRISTINE...The ROBERT ROESINGS, superintendent of agents and janitors, just returned from a nice trip to Las Vegas and California where they visited Los Angeles and Disneyland. They said they had a real good trip...Our sin-

cere sympathy is extended to: Yard Foreman FRANK CALPIN whose mother passed away; to Conductor JAMES MOSS who lost his father in Ireland; to Switchman EUGENE KANE on the loss of his father; to Clerk ELIJAH SMITH on the loss of his mother, and to Work Train Conductor ELLSWORTH WIGGINTON on the loss of his mother. It's a terrible shock to lose someone you love...Agent ODESSA DANIELLEY received a passenger commendation recently for her courteous treatment of her passengers. Also, Agent BESSOLA JAMES and Janitor JOHNNY ROWLAND received a passenger commendation for the cheerful manner in which they performed their duties...Assistant Station Superintendent JAMES WALSH was smiling from ear to ear when he told us about his new grandchildren, ANNE MARIE and MICHELLE MARIE. This now makes four grandchildren for the Walsh family...At this writing Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS and Retired Shopman PAT McEVOY are in the hospital. Here's hoping that they both will be home real soon and have a speedy recovery to good health once more...Our part-time employes for the summer have left us to return to school: Conductors CHARLES WILLIAMS, WILLIAM WHITENHILL, ROBERT ROBERSON, CARL DAVIS, ROBERT JARVIS, PHILIP WHITE, and WILLIAM STALLWORTH; Part-time Agents LYNDE GAULT, ARDIS MORRIS Jr., DEBORAH TINSEY, HENRY WEST, SHELDIA HORN, THORNTON CHERRY, CYNTHIA TUKES, GREGORY CUBERSON, EVERETT MANN, and ALMAR THOMAS...Retired Towerman LEONARD DeGROOT and Retired Conductor EARNEST HARDWIDGE dropped in to see the boys at Ashland and they looked as sharp and witty as ever.

- Verna Hartney

RAPID TRANSIT MAINTENANCE TERMINALS -

Welcome back to G. SMERAS, Kimball, who was on the sick list...Wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to the mother of BILL McHUGH, Kimball, who is in St. Francis hospital with heart trouble...Congratulations to G. DOBEK, the son of STANLEY DOBEK, Kimball, who was graduated from Great Lakes Naval Training school, number one in his class...Sorry to hear that ROD Jr., the son of ROD HAWKINS Sr., Kimball, is in the hospital with a broken leg. Hope he will be up and around very soon...ED STAMBORSKI, Kimball, is back from a visit with his daughter and her family in Ohio...Enjoying an Indian summer vacation are R. RAHN, W. McKAY, W. McHUGH, S. DOBEK, and C. EUGENE, Kimball...Congratulations to E. SHIELDS, Dan Ryan, and his family on the birth of a grandson, THOMAS EDWARD, on September 25. The proud papa is E. SHIELDS Jr., who works for CTA at Beverly Garage...A hearty welcome to new car servicemen M. MALLOY and E. WOJCIEZAK at Dan Ryan...Good luck to newly promoted repairmen A. DUCKETT, E. R. JOHNSON, J. L. NEELY, and C. L. DUNLAP, Dan Ryan...Swapping stories of exciting vacations are: W. THORNTON, Q. BONDS, C. NELSON, J. SHANAHAN, and E. SHIELDS, Dan Ryan...Glad to see H. BIGGS, 61st Street, back at work after being off with an eye injury. ..A hearty welcome from all the boys at 61st Street to F. NEALY Jr., new car serviceman...Best wishes for a complete and speedy recovery are sent to M. BRINSON, 61st Street, who is still on the sick list...Enjoying the beauty of a fall vacation are: F. NEALY Sr., L. CARR, F. LEWIS, W. SPARKS, L. STRYSZAK, Y. PATE, and H. CARTER, 61st Street...Stories from the grapevine have F. STEEN, 61st Street, planning a hunting expedition into the wilds of Wyoming...Who is that fellow with the print shirt and grass skirt? That's C. WIECHOWSKI, Congress, who just returned from a Hawaiian vacation with his wife...Greetings to all from D. WITTENBERG, Congress, from Germany, France, and Ireland. Don must be having a great ball...The patch MIKE KEATING, Congress, is wearing is not from a fight but the result of an auto accident. Mike sustained a cut on his head which required 27 stitches to close...Congratulations to J. CANNELLA, Congress, who became a grandfather for the fifth time when his daughter gave birth to a baby girl named LOUISE...MIKE VASQUEZ is glad to be back to work after spending his vacation remodeling his home...Best of luck to LINDA COLOMBO, the daughter of PETE COLOMBO, Congress, on her teaching position at York High school in Elmhurst, Illinois. Linda will be teaching mathematics...CTA American Legion Post 1216 is planning their annual Christmas party to be held at St. Rita Knights of Columbus hall, 59th and California.

- Ray Brzeczek

ERIC W. ERICSON is shown here with his wife receiving a retirement gift and portfolio from M. J. McDERMOTT, superintendent of Investigations and Claims. Eric was a statementman in the Claim Department and retired on November 1 with 42 years of service.

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

Former typists EILEEN (O'Reilly) TYRRELL gave birth to a baby girl on September 6, and KAREN COLLINS had a baby girl on September 2...MARGE VIDAL gave birth to a baby boy on September 30. He joins a sister, ELIZABETH, now one year old...Pensioner ESTHER O'BRIEN was married and is now Mrs. BAUER. Congratulations to the happy couple...THEODORE COWGILL, our pensioned rancher, wrote us a letter saying he is taking it easy working on the ranch 12 hours a day...TERRENCE P. REILLY, electrical worker at 77th and the son of Schedule Maker ED REILLY, was married to BARBARA JEAN KATAUSKAS on Septem-

ber 26 at Holy Rosary Slovak church. A reception was held at the Calumet Park American Legion hall for 200 guests. The wedding party included his three brothers...Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE P. LEAHY, the parents of Schedule Maker PHIL LEAHY, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on October 9. Present for the renewal of vows were the best man, the groom's brother, THOMAS LEAHY, and the bride's maid of honor, her sister, Sister CHARLENE. Also present were their children and families...WALLACE J. STOLTENBERG entered service as a driver at 52nd Street Station on February 25, 1924. He transferred from 69th Street to become a traffic checker on April 14, 1963, and subsequently traffic clerk on May 25, 1969. He started enjoying his pension on November 1. We wish him a very long and healthy retirement...Our sympathy is extended to the family of JOE VIOLA on the death of his father...Congratulations to those who arranged the recent Transit News scribes dinner. The evening was most enjoyable and the gift to each of the scribes was beautiful. My gratitude is extended.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

EUGENE JANKOWSKI, upholsterer, is the proud owner of a new Buick LeSabre. Good luck, Gene...GENE SILICANI, shopman II, suffered the loss of his sister due to a heart condition. Our sincere sympathy, Gene...EDWARD MAY, electrical worker, and his wife, ALYCE MAY, clerk II, also at Skokie, enjoyed a well-earned vacation in sunny Florida. Ed and Alyce are also the proud grandparents of a baby boy born to KATHRYN RYAN, now living in California. DANNY and Kathryn are former employes of CTA. The son was named GREGORY ALLEN and weighed 6 pounds 10 ounces...JOHN ZDUNEK, upholsterer, and his wife, VIRGINIA, are enjoying a nice vacation in Jacksonville, Florida, with their daughter and son-in-law...ROBERT S. WINTHERS, Research and Development Skokie office, is the proud owner of a new garage to keep his car starting this winter. THOMAS HOEY, electrical worker, and his wife, ANN, enjoyed a nice western vacation. Tom drove and a lot of nice scenery was seen...JOHN KALINOWSKI, painter, and his wife, MARY, enjoyed a nice trip through Austria, Italy, and Sweden. Sounds good, John.

- Everett E. England

CTA's TWO-WAY radio network had its debut in 1942 when the Surface Lines began radio communications with mobile units. Shown in the first radio room in the Continental Bank building are, from left, Clarence Melbye, dispatcher, Frank Matthews, clerk, Charles Batterson, dispatcher, and James Tucker, clerk. Licenses issued to men who operated the radio are on the wall. Since then, Mr. Melbye has retired, Mr. Matthews resigned to move from Chicago, Mr. Batterson has become Operations Control superintendent, and Mr. Tucker has become Transportation Department chief clerk.

SOUTH SHOPS -

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. RENE CLAUDE on the birth of their third daughter, born on Friday, October 9, weighing 6 pounds 8 ounces. Mrs. Claude left the South Shops office in August for this blessed event. Her husband is a trackman...All drivers beware of a new female driver at South Shops in a green and white Maverick. EDNA WALKER obtained her drivers license in September. Edna, good luck from all of us; we know you need it...Congratulations to TONY SPATAFORE who happens to be the first sporting a new 1971 Valiant...Our deepest sympathy is extended to FRED B. RIDLEY on the loss of his brother; to CHARLIE GRECO on the passing of his sister, and to BOB FUHRMAN of Area 318-D on the death of his father...We would like to acknowledge that FRED HAAS will enter the U.S. Navy on December 7. What a day to go into the armed services. Fred is the son of ALFRED HAAS, Body Shop foreman. I know Mr. Haas is proud of his son as we are of all our men in the armed services...On October 19, Instructor WILLIAM MILLER and the senior class of carpenter apprentices went on a four-hour tour of Blitz Body Shop for a first-hand observation of frame straightening. It was a pleasant and very educational tour for all of the apprentices.

- Elaine Stewart & Bob Brown

WEST SECTION -

Hello people. It's time for the news again. Let's all give a loud rebel yell and welcome back to Lake Street JIMMY HOOD. Jim was on the Douglas line for awhile, but is now back, so you Yankees better watch out. This time he has a fast talking conductor, MIKE WATSON, and can he talk, and talk, and talk...Foot Collector V. NORSTROM had a going away party for his son who is on his way to Viet Nam. We wish him a safe and quick return home for more parties...We would like to say happy birthday to WILLIE FLOYD, and congratulations on his lovely wedding to JOAN HAYWOOD, the daughter of Ticket Agent WILLA MAE HAYWOOD, who worked hard in preparing the happy couple to walk down the aisle. Now maybe Willie won't have to go to the Colonel's for lunch or dinner. Joan I sure hope you can feed him well because boy can he eat. The wedding was held at the Resurrection parish and a reception followed at the Salt and Pepper Gardens. The kids received many beautiful gifts, and then headed for Willie's parent's home for more celebrating. Frankly speaking, it was a ball, but I was a nervous wreck. Good luck, kids...Instructor KENNY BROWN is really a hero. I had to add to his praise, so keep up the good work, Kenny, we sure need people like you around. Supervisor BLAIR, with his witty ego, just says "I'm here."..A former student conductor of SANTO SICILIANO, namely J. WELLS, is still wearing those boots that he got a compass with. Just like back home, huh Spanky... L. RICHARDSON took his wife, EMMA, fishing with him, and you can guess who caught the ones the size of goldfish. ..Conductor G. WOODMORE got over his battle of pneumonia and is now enjoying his vacation with his wife who, by the way, nursed her little boy back to health...Motorman S. KOZMA left us on November 1 taking his retirement. Steve also served as president of the Lake Street Credit Union. Good luck, Steve, and have many happy days...Well, we've got to go now but will surely return soon with more news items. And remember, gang, if you don't tell us about yourselves, how can we tell others about you. Bye now.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

69TH STREET -

There was quite a battle for presidency of the MICKEY YOUNG Fan Club. After a long and bitter fight, it was decided that LARRY HELINSKI was a better man for the job than ED STEFFAN...It has been suggested that if J. KOVATZ and J. MORNAR can't come up with cash for their snow keys that special terms might be arranged. It will be something to see Mornar manipulate the high lift around the pillars at 69th & Emerald after watching him back up a truck. DAKE is still willing to give instruction for a price...TOM COOK wants to know what ART BRADFORD told the jury commissioner to get himself excused from jury duty...ANDY KOHLSTEDT and his wife, ALICE, celebrated 35 years of wedded bliss on October 26. They vacationed at Miami Beach, Florida...Received three nice cards from JOE DAVIDSON who pulled a trailer all the way down to Mexico. He had a nice trip but claimed that he was behind time for awhile and thought he might have to switch back. Can you see old Joe running late?..G. B. (Drawbar) HOLLAND and his Mrs. have just celebrated 36 years of marriage...GENE HOWE is now up and around and is making good progress. Keep up the good work fella...I would like to hear from the other fellows who are on the sick list, if possible, and in the meantime hurry up and get well—we miss you...R. JOHNSON and M. A. ENSWORTH are taking their pensions. Please keep in touch, and the best of health and a life of ease to all...I saw J. J. KEES of the old Cottage Grove & 38th Barn. He said hello to all his old pals...The instructors are having quite a problem trying to get SWANSON to stop smoking. It is said that he actually is missed when he is off sick...Who baked 75 cupcakes for the instructors meeting October 28? Why did ODOM get all those proposals for marriage?..JACK JOHNSON, instructor, celebrated a Halloween birthday. Your buddies said you didn't buy a mask...Don't forget where my mailbox is fellas. Oh, yes, now the janitors want a good used refrigerator to keep their cool...From the repair department, JIMMY AHERN reports that DENNY SULLIVAN paid a visit and is enjoying his pension. A good life to MATT BASSO, CON CROWLEY, and PADDY FITZGERALD. Paddy just recently returned from Ireland. Con Crowley and JOHN ROCHE were noted baseball players from 69th. They were known as the fighting Irish of 69th and the A.O.H...EDDIE PIECZYKOWSKI went to Georgia on vacation...A speedy recovery to BERNIE McBRIDE, BILL LORENZEN, BRYAND GRANT, and all others on the sick list. Keep the news coming in.

- Arthur P. Buesing

WEDDING BELLS rang for WILLIAM and MARIE CLINE on September 26 at St. Stanislau Kastka church. The bride is the former MARIE WIECZOREK of the Training and Accident Prevention Department, and Bill is a multilith operator in the Reproduction Services Department.

77TH STREET -

Congratulations to the following men whose names were added to the September Courtesy Caravan Club: R. BARCLAY, E. MITCHELL, J. LACKHOUSE, T. EDWARDS, A. WILLIAMS, P. HIGHTOWER, R. JOHNSON, T. WILLIAMS, H. BURKETH, C. JOHNSON, E. SMITH, and R. DANIELS. We beat our commendation par for September, and were again treated to coffee by the station superintendents. Let's make it a clean sweep next month and beat our accident and complaint pars...Our driving hint for this month is: "Watch out for those leaves, especially when it's raining, because they can be as treacherous as ice."..Happy birthday to CLARENCE MOORE, who celebrated his ?? birthday on October 24...Operator GEORGE GRIFFIN has left 77th Street and is now working in the Mart. Good luck, George...D. C. DURDEN has returned to work after spending his four-week vacation in New Orleans, Louisiana...Operator A. JACKSON is on the sick list. Hurry and get well, Jack...I have also been told that Operator HARVEY KING is ailing; what some guys won't do to get out of work...Former Operator EDWARD COSSEY visited your scribe this past week. Cossey is now in the liquor business...Operator WILSON WASHINGTON recently returned from a vacation in the southland...Our sympathy to the following families: PERCY RIDDICK on the death of his father, CLAUDE RIDDICK, and to Operator H. BORGMAN whose mother passed away...Operator FRANK GLEASON is in St. Francis hospital. A speedy recovery is wished him...Our basketball team is getting in shape although league play has not begun, but we know who number one is. See you next month.

- Elcosie Gresham

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Transit Board Adopts '71 Budget

AT ITS monthly meeting on December 10, Chicago Transit Board adopted CTA's 1971 budget and approved making the No. 40 O'Harexpress bus route a permanent part of the CTA system.

Operating Deficit Anticipated

The proposed operating budget shows that revenues of $196,755,000 will not cover the operating expenses of $197,928,000. This will leave a shortage of $1,173,800 in operating expenses with no revenues available to meet the debt service requirement of $8,144,800 and the $15,740,400 provision for depreciation (8 per cent of gross revenue). This will make a total deficiency in revenues of $25,059,000 for 1971.

Labor costs are the main factor giving rise to the increase of $17,254,900 in departmental and maintenance expenses. The labor costs for 1971 were estimated at December, 1970, levels (including a 7 cent per hour basic wage increase which became effective December 1, 1970), with provision for an 8 cent per hour basic wage increase to become effective June 1, 1971, and provision for additional increases in cost-of-living allowances. Additional cost-of-living allowances are estimated to equal 1½ per cent per quarter for 1971, resulting in estimated increases of 7 cents on March 1, 8 cents on June 1, and 7½ cents on September 1, totaling 22½ cents per hour for the year 1971. The total accumulated cost-of-living allowance for the union contract period (December 1, 1968, to December 1, 1971) is estimated to be 73½ cents per hour.

Passenger Revenue to Increase $12.4 Million

Passenger revenues are estimated to be $193,450,000 or $12,436,600 over 1970. The increase in passenger revenue arises primarily from the fare change of July 8, 1970, which consisted of a 5 cent increase in the basic adult fare and a 5 cent increase in the transfer charge.

A budget for capital improvements of $16,600,000 was approved in hopes that funds would be available in 1971. The major item in the capital budget was CTA's one-third share ($5,544,000) for the purchase of 500 buses to replace vehicles that are up to 20 years old, to be matched by a two-thirds federal government contribution. Other essential capital improvements are station remodeling, new station facilities, a central counting room, additional fare boxes, track and structure renewal, and replacement of obsolete trainphone equipment with two-way radios.

The No. 40 O'Harexpress bus route, which has been operating under a federal mass transportation demonstration grant, was made a permanent part of the CTA system by Board action.

Operation of the O'Harexpress bus route between Jefferson Park and O'Hare airport began February 1, 1970, as a demonstration grant project of the U.S. Department of Transportation obtained by the City of Chicago Mayor's Committee for Cultural and Economic Development. The grant was for underwriting up to two years' operation of a bus route to test the effectiveness of low-cost public transportation to O'Hare airport. CTA was reimbursed for the difference between the costs of operation and the receipts collected on buses up to a limit of $127,720. These funds, which were 90 per cent from the federal Urban Mass Transportation Administration and 10 per cent from about 30 airlines or other employers at O'Hare, have now been exhausted.

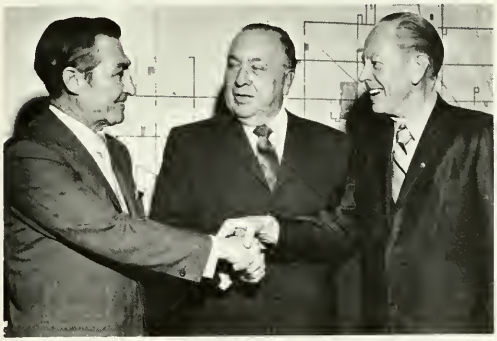
O'Harexpress Fare Increased

Although the use of O'Harexpress buses has built up from 367 riders on the first weekday of service and now averages about 1,000 riders per day, the service is not self-sustaining. Rather than reduce or discontinue service on the line, the Board decided in the public interest to continue its operation.

To make up some of the operating loss and give time for the riding public to become acquainted with the advantages of the service, the Board also approved increasing the fare for adults from 70 cents to 75 cents (including transfer). Children and senior citizen rates will remain the same, 50 cents (including transfer). The fare increase became effective Sunday, December 20.

"It is our feeling that this service is essential for airport employes and air travelers. Furthermore, some of the riders who use these buses have no alternative to CTA service if they are to stay on their present jobs. It is still the best transportation bargain when traveling to and from O'Hare," said Chairman George L. DeMent.

Attorney G. J. Schaller Resigns to Take Judgeship



RESIGNING FROM CTA on December 7 to take his newly-elected office as a judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County was George J. Schaller, who had served as CTA's general attorney since May, 1966.

To wish him well in his new post, an open house was held for Mr. Schaller by his CTA friends and former associates. Among the guests were Mayor Richard J. Daley and Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent, shown here congratulating Mr. Schaller.

A graduate of De Paul Law school, Mr. Schaller has been licensed to practice law since 1943. In addition to his CTA post, Mr. Schaller was also a senior partner in the law firm of Schaller, Reilly and Daley.

J. G. O'Donohue Named CTA General Attorney

THE APPOINTMENT of Attorney James G. O'Donohue as general attorney for CTA was announced by Chicago Transit Board on December 10.

Mr. O'Donohue succeeds George J. Schaller who resigned to serve as a judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County. As general attorney for CTA, Mr. O'Donohue will advise and consult with the Board and management on legal matters.

A graduate of James Marshall Law school, Mr. O'Donohue has practiced law in Chicago for 23 years and is presently a partner in the law firm of O'Donohue and Murray. In addition to private practice, he has served as first assistant corporation counsel and assistant corporation counsel of the City of Chicago, and was associated with the municipal underwriting department of A. C. Allyn and company, investment bankers.

He is a member of the American, Illinois, and Chicago Bar Associations, the Mayor's Parking Advisory Committee, and formerly was chairman of the Air Pollution Appeals Board.

J. A. Kelly Retires As District A Superintendent

RETIRING DECEMBER 1 as District A superintendent was Joseph A. Kelly, who had served in the Transportation Department of the Surface Lines and CTA for more than 47 years.

Mr. Kelly started with CSL on May 9, 1923, as a conductor at the old Cottage Grove carbarn. He underwent training and qualified as a traffic supervisor in September, 1932, and subsequently became assistant station superintendent at Cottage Grove in 1944. Mr. Kelly was named District A superintendent in 1946, the position which he held until the time of his retirement.

Feted at a luncheon in his honor at the M&M Club in the Merchandise Mart on November 25, Mr. Kelly was joined by many of his friends and co-workers. He is shown here being congratulated upon his retirement by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.

Suggestion Committee Names Award Winners

CHRISTMAS CAME early for 24 CTAers whose suggestions were adopted by the Suggestion Committee. Each one had his choice of an incentive award--a $7.00 merchandise certificate or a Zippo lighter/tape rule set. In addition to that, six of the suggesters were presented $25.00 awards for their efforts.

Three of the suggesters who received an award plus a $25.00 check for their adopted ideas were George Benshish, Accounting Department, William S. Miedema, Shops and Equipment-Forest Glen, and Luis Velez, Engineering-West Shops.

For submitting their second adoptable suggestion within a year, three other employes were presented an award plus a $25.00 check, including: Mary Berry, Claim Department; Regina Daren, Medical Department, and Dorsey J. Garner, Shops and Equipment-52nd Street.

Winning incentive awards for their ideas which were adopted were the following: General Office—Mary Berry, Claim Department; Regina Daren, Medical Department; Joan Fitzgerald, Reproduction Services; Ruth Havlic, Schedule Department; James Joeffrey, Engineering Department; Viola Meyer, Accounting Department, and Joseph Sabol, Schedule Department. Shops and Equipment—John C. Morman and John Murray, both of South Shops; Edward McDonnell, Keeler Garage, and William S. Miedema, Forest Glen Garage. Transportation-Surface—Edward P. Federowicz, Limits; Ray Frenette, Lawndale, and Earnest Hennecke, Beverly. Transportation-Rapid Transit—Marian Filip, West Section, and James Schumpp, North Section. Electrical—Bernhardt Neilsen, Chicago Avenue Shop.

FOR HIS suggestion which improved bus operations through the Jefferson Park Transit Center, George Benshish (right) of the Accounting Department received a $25 check from Suggestion Coordinator Russ Warnstedt.

For his idea which was adopted a year ago and continued to derive savings for CTA, Ronald Jareckas, S&E-77th Street Garage, was presented a supplemental award of $15.00.

Twelve CTAers Take New Supervisory Assignments

THE APPOINTMENTS of supervisory personnel to new positions in three CTA departments were announced in bulletins issued recently. The departments affected include Accounting, Shops and Equipment Surface Division, and Transportation Department Districts.

Effective November 30, W. B. Folta was named general accountant and H. F. Brown became assistant general accountant. The Accounting Department appointments were made by Manager of Finance P. J. Meinardi and approved by General Manager T. B. O'Connor.

Promoted to new foremen assignments at Surface Division Garages effective November 29 were T. Muellner, night foreman at 69th Street Garage; L. Harper, day assistant foreman at Kedzie Garage; J. Morales, p.m. foreman at Limits Garage, and D. Krivickas, p.m. foreman at 69th Street Garage. The appointments were made by Superintendent of Garages J. W. Dain.

Taking new positions at South Shops effective December 7 were T. E. Pietrus who became general foreman of the Body Shop, and V. Howe who became Paint Shop foreman. The appointments were made by Superintendent of Surface Division Shops J. Bolech.

The above Shops and Equipment Department appointments were approved by Superintendent of Surface System Shops and Garages J. J. Repplinger and Superintendent of Shops and Equipment G. J. Clark.

Four appointments affecting supervisory personnel within Transportation Department Districts include the naming of W. Prosen as superintendent of District A, W. C. Rohl as relief superintendent of Districts A and B, L. L. Matthews as District A supervisor, and J. L. Grojean as relief district supervisor of District A, B, and C. The appointments, which became effective December 1, were made by Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn and approved by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.

Merry Christmas!
May the kindly spirit
of this glorious season
continue to warm our lives
throughout the coming year...
Thomas B. O'Connor
GENERAL MANAGER

Medically Speaking

by Dr. George H. Irwin

Holiday Excesses

Winter Illness

and Accidents

THE HOLIDAYS are here, which means that ordinary routine living will be interrupted while people enjoy a pattern of year-end festivities. This is as it should be; however, the unfortunate thing is that many of us carry it to excess, resulting in illness and accidents.

It is generally true that during the family gatherings at holiday time too much rich food and drink is consumed. People are relaxed and feel that this is no time for dieting. At the same time, late hours prevail and the average person does not get enough rest. Traveling to various parts of the country may result in contracting a cold or other illness. Attendance at large parties and being in crowds also tend to attract illness.

Everyone should enjoy these holiday festivities. For many it is the high point of the year, but certain limits should be observed. The year-end holidays usher in the winter season and there is much evidence to show that many illnesses are linked to it in one way or another.

One reason that the winter season predisposes to illness is overeating and underexercising. During the winter season people are prone to lounge around the house, reading and snacking. Another important factor in winter illness is the inclement weather. Basically, the affect of changing temperatures and atmospheric conditions upon the metabolism and physiology of the body is responsible for the development of disease. A lack of sunshine also plays an important part. And because of the changeable weather it is easy to dress unsuitably and thereby cause overheating or chilling of body surfaces.

All these things lower one's resistance and favor the development of illnesses such as influenza, contagious diseases, pneumonia, and circulatory ailments such as coronary heart disease and high blood pressure.

Shoveling snow has variable affects which may be good or bad, depending upon the individual. A sensible rule is moderation in all things. Frostbite and frozen fingers or toes can be avoided by dressing properly and avoiding prolonged exposure in very cold weather.

Certain injuries resulting from accidents, especially broken bones, contusions, bruises, and sprains are much more common in the winter. Icy sidewalks and streets especially increase the number of broken arms, hips, and legs resulting from falls. Shorter days and early darkness also increase the hazards of driving. Ice skating, sledding, snow-mobiling, and skiing, all of which are becoming more and more popular, also account for an increased number of winter accidents.

The following suggestions are given to reduce holiday excesses, winter illnesses, and accidents:

First, make a strong resolution to do all in your power for better health.

Second, arrange your winter vacation in a warm climate, or if you stay in winter weather, dress properly and according to weather changes.

Third, avoid staying in poorly ventilated or overcrowded places for prolonged periods. You can further help by getting additional rest, avoiding fatigue, and eating properly.

Fourth, walk and drive carefully, thereby reducing accidents.

If you follow the above suggestions and do these things defensively you will help to reduce the incidence or frequency of certain winter illnesses and many winter accidents.

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Ireland: A Crossley Omnibus Is Found

EDDIE FOWLIE has never been a man to quit when the going gets tough. That's why he works for David Lean, the director of epics like "Bridge on the River Kwai", "Lawrence of Arabia", and "Dr. Zhivago", as a property master. He knows how to get things done.

When he went to Ireland with Lean to make "Ryan's Daughter", Fowlie was asked to find a pre-1915 omnibus for a key sequence in the film. It seemed like a simple enough request, but even the veteran propman found his patience wearing a bit thin before a suitable machine was found. Starting in Dublin, Fowlie began tracing a Crossley omnibus which once plyed the streets of that city.

After several days searching, the man who had once owned it was located. But too late. He had sold it to a country tinker. The tinker was found, but he had sold it to a man. Patiently, Fowlie followed one lead after another until the body was located in back of a house. It was being used as a storage shed and green house for flowers. No, the owner didn't want to sell it.

But Fowlie took pictures of it and was certain a duplicate could be made at the temporary shops he had set up in an empty railway station in Dingle--if the chassis could be found. Again Fowlie set out, but this time he thought the problem would be quickly solved. He was wrong. Nearly two weeks were spent hunting false leads and wandering about the suburbs of Dublin in search of the missing chassis. Finally it was located, but the owner had only the running gear--he was looking for wheels.

Making a deal for the chassis, Fowlie hoped he would be able to find the wheels later. Searching the waterfront of Dublin and the market section, the property master found a vintage Albion truck and this was also purchased for "Ryan's Daughter."

The Crossley body proved to be a tough nut to crack, even for Fowlie. The owner had unceremoniously dumped it in his back garden where it had rotted for many years. Yet, when Fowlie attempted to purchase it, the price was out of reason.

Taking careful photographs of it from as many angles as possible, Fowlie went to the cabinet makers in his shop at Dingle and asked them to duplicate the complicated woodwork and glass windows so that the finished body would fit the Crossley chassis.

After almost three weeks of work, the finished body was installed and Lean was delighted. It looked better than the original and was authentic in every detail. Still, the wheels were hard to locate. Fowlie had been busy while the omnibus body was in the shop, and shortly after the chassis was declared ready for the road, the missing wheels were found.

Even though they weren't exact replicas of the factory originals, they fit and the car was ready for production. The carpenters then turned their attention to the Albion truck which had been discovered by Fowlie.

Certain modifications had to be made to the body so that it would look like the World War I era military models produced by that firm in 1916. Old newspaper pictures of trucks at the front in France, and photos from the Victoria and Albert Museum in London helped Fowlie direct the carpenters' work.

A British Army command vehicle was also needed, and after a concentrated search of County Kerry, a partially disassembled Model T was found. Again, the indomitable propman set about doing what seemed to be the impossible. Parts were uncovered in barns, shops and garages throughout the Dingle Peninsula and the automotive jigsaw puzzle gradually fell into place. Spares were shipped from auto supply houses in the United States which specialize in early Ford parts, and a completed Ford left the shop barely a month after it had been hauled in.

The cast of "Ryan's Daughter", Robert Mitchum, Sarah Miles, Trevor Howard, John Mills, Christopher Jones and Leo McKern, became attached to the motley assortment of vehicles that Fowlie located and when they were finished on the picture, each was given affectionate farewell by the crew. Collectors were eager to obtain them, and in the case of the Ford, it was returned to the owner--all in one piece again.

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (General) -

The personnel in the Accounting Department wish to extend a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all, and especially to Mr. A. J. FITZSIMONS, general accountant, who retired on November 1...We welcome back PAULINE MANGINO to work after her accident, and extend a belated welcome back to ALICE ARKIN on her return after an illness. At the same time we must say farewell to Pauline and MARY RETTIG as they have been transferred from the Revenue Section to the Tabulating Section. Good luck on your new assignment, girls...CURTIS BURRELL had a very enjoyable vacation, having traveled by plane to San Francisco. He stayed there four days during which time he saw Chinatown and the Haight-Ashbury District where he went to see "Hair." He flew by 747 from San Francisco International Airport to Los Angeles where he visited the Greek theater to see Jose Feliciano. From Los Angeles he flew home...There is a bit of sadness to our news this month. RAYMOND SCHRAMM's brother, HOWARD SCHRAMM, passed away and was laid to rest in St. Boniface cemetery. Pensioner JOHN RUBERRY passed away on Thursday, October 29. Interment was at Holy Sepulcher cemetery...We extend a belated welcome to JOSEPH CASTRO in the Revenue Section, and a welcome to ROBERT McCARTHY and ALMAR THOMAS in the Revenue Transfer Counting Section. We were ready to welcome WILLIAM DOERING to this section when we had to say farewell. He transferred to Reproduction Services.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

(Payroll) -

If you see any buttons popping off of the coat of JOSEPHINE COLEMAN, the reason will be obvious. Her daughter, JOYCE, who is a sophomore and honor student at the Academy of Our Lady, wrote a profound article concerning the "Generation Gap and Hang-ups", which appeared in the Chicago Tribune on Sunday, November 8. The column, Voice of Youth, gives young people in high school the opportunity to find expression in the printed word and a $10 award is given for each article which is published. Joyce's picture accompanied her article and her parents may well be doubly proud for she is indeed a very attractive teenager. She hopes to attend the University of Illinois Circle Campus and become a pediatrician...We have been watching with great interest the fashion parade in the modern trend. One of our department members, VI MEYER, received a lovely American flag pin and a cash award for her suggestion of the new style of suits for women's office wear which was accepted by management. Congratulations, Vi...Merry Christmas to all.

- Clara Lawrence

(Tabulating) -

MARIAN BUCKLEY journeyed to eastern Kentucky for her vacation. They stayed at Jenny Wiley State Park near the West Virginia border in the Appalachian and Blue Ridge mountains. Pensioner ROBERT BUCKLEY, formerly of Stores, went with her in order to enjoy the beautiful landscapes. Marian says the scenery was indescribable, accommodations were good, weather fine, and the food delicious. Sounds ideal, Marian...Miami Beach, Florida, was the choice of CARMELLA PETRELLA. She took several sightseeing trips in the vicinity, but mainly she sun-bathed resulting in a lovely tan...A warm welcome is extended to MARY RETTIG and PAULINE MANGINO who have transferred from the Revenue Section...MARGE DORGAN spent part of her vacation in Las Vegas. She enjoyed the beautiful weather and saw some of the extraordinary shows which abound in Las Vegas. I think she came home "lighter" money-wise. How about it, Marge?..Your reporter had a very "hot" time on Saturday, November 7, when her car burned at Western and Bryn Mawr and was a total loss. I always wanted to drive a "hot-rod."

- Evelyn Leu

BEVERLY -

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Superintendents GEORGE EVANS and JOSEPH WILL. Instructor CLARENCE HEILBRONNER also extends greetings for a safe and happy new year...Sorry I missed the last issue, but your co-reporter, TOM DANIELS, just returned to work after being on the sick list for six weeks. Trying to watch Operator JOHN (Mighty Mite) MAHONEY eating a hot dog with chili peppers and french fries every day doesn't do my ulcers any good, so we'll try and catch up on the news...Sanitary Engineer OZZIE GRIGALUNAS is one of our top bowlers and is shooting for a 300 game...Chief Clerk CHARLES KARSCHNIK is going on pension and has promised Ozzie a box of "El Ropos" if he makes it. Charlie has 50 years of service...Night Clerk JOHN KIRBY has to grab his tennis shoes and play with the kids in the afternoon bowling tournament. He hopes to break 100...District "A" Superintendent JOSEPH KELLY went on pension December 1 after 45 years of service...DENNIS SULLIVAN is now on the High Line ("L"), and B. THOMAS is now working in the Merchandise Mart...Supervisor LEN CANTWELL celebrated his 23rd anniversary with CTA on Thanksgiving day with turkey and alka seltzer...Thanks to Board Member JOHN KING and all the men who attended the wake for my mother, Mrs. KATHRYN DANIELS...Pensioner TONY EGAN is in the hospital. Still on the sick list are Operators BOB LEWIS, C. GILTMIER, J. SIMS, and ED LAGERSTROM. Pensioner HARRY BARRY is home after a trip to the hospital...Operator JOHN ROGERS is going to Hawaii to attend his daughter's wedding...Operator L. ERICKSON is going to Florida where he has bought a new home...Pensioner JOE CARNEY, one of the best instructors we had at Beverly, stopped at the depot to say hello. We were glad to see Pensioner BILL McCONNELL, who was the best receiver Beverly ever had; he was always willing to help you straighten out your trip sheet and count your money right... We express our deepest sympathy to the families of BILL LAWLER and JOHN RUBERRY. John was a Past Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus Council...Operation Snowball, part of the mental health campaign, is rolling again for a Merry Christmas for the patients at Manteno State hospital and Tinley Park State hospital. The men from Beverly have been very helpful and generous in the

past, so please help with cigarettes, candy, and clothing. We try each year to visit part of the 10,000 patients, so please, please help... Pensioner ERNIE TOCCI has been teaching Latin at Mt. Carmel High school for the past 10 years, and Ernie's class, for the third straight year, has won the gold medal in national competition as the best in the State of Illinois. We know that your gracious and beautiful wife, ANN, helped you, Ernie, so we tip our hats to a wonderful girl...Thanks to our editor, BOB HEINLEIN, for the travel alarm clock while I was in the hospital. Sorry I missed the dinner at the M&M Club, but my Maalox was all gone; I'll make it next time. Thanks, Bob, for thinking of me.

- Tom Daniels & Amos Foster

CLAIM -

Like the swallows of Capistrano, PAT ZAJAC returned to Hawaii but this time to stay. We were sorry to see her leave, but wish her the very best...BILL BUETOW, statementman, and his wife, MARGE, have a new member in their club. Little DAVID RICHARD was born on November 20 weighing in at 7 pounds 8 ounces...On November 23 BILL LEMBACHNER became a grandfather for the first time. Bill's daughter, JEAN, and her husband, AL MARTIN, have named their little girl JULIE. Since the Martins reside in Norfolk, Virginia, Bill will have to wait until spring to see his granddaughter...We have a father-of-the bride in our department. HERBIE SCHOMER walked down the aisle with his daughter, LuANN, on November 14. The happy couple will be leaving for Guam shortly...HARRY and ANNE BONESS recently returned from their vacation, which included a stop at Aurora, North Carolina, to see his sister and brother-in-law, then on to Massachusetts to visit his son, HARRY Jr., and his family. While there, Harry checked out the sea monster that was recently in the news and reported that it had a vile odor...SOL GARRO has a fantastic tan and owes it all to his two weeks of golf in the Florida sun...Our department welcomes MAUREEN O'REILLY, who joined us on November 23.

- Ruth Kaminski & Terri Kramer

ELECTRICAL (General Office) -

Thanksgiving day was really a very special day in the KIZIOR home. EUGENIA KIZIOR, the sister of BERNADETTE, was married to Dr. JOSEPH ZAWADZKI in St. Gall church. A reception followed at the Martinique. Bernie, attired in mushroom tan panne velvet, was her sister's only attendant. Eugenia is a former Reproduction Services Department employe and was also a part-time ticket agent during her college years. She is presently a guidance counselor in the Chicago school system but is resigning to take up household duties. Best wishes for their happiness. ..We are glad to welcome MARGARET KINSEY back after her recent surgery and hope she continues to feel in the pink...Happy Holidays.

- Kay McAlister

(Blue Island) -

TED WYNCOTT and FRANK WOJCIK attended a Polish Luau up in Door County, Wisconsin. They said they had boiled fish, boiled potatoes, and boiled cabbage; all you could eat. Sounds more like a "boil out."..A few of our co-workers said they saw Retired Electrical Engineer C. J. BUCK riding a bicycle on the far North Side--an 1890 vintage one...Your reporter and his grandchildren visited the Illinois Railway Museum located in Union and had a ride on the red Pullman and old wooden Kenwood "L" train. All I can say is that CTA has come a long way...Oh, yes, by saying that H. A. COYNE spent his vacation at Back Porch, Chicago, helped bring out the truth about his vacation. He spent some time in Chetek, Wisconsin, and paid a visit to Pensioner SYLVESTER ROLNICKI in Galena, Illinois...We wish a happy retirement to CHARLES PARK and JAMES HAYDON...Welcome back to L. DONOFRIO who was off due to illness...Welcome to ROBERT O'CONNOR who joined the Electrical Department recently...MEL COOK and his wife had their first airplane ride, and they made it a good one. They flew to Seattle, Washington, then rented a car and drove down the west coast to Los Angeles, California, and took in all the scenery (he did say scenery), and then flew home...JOE ZALUD and his wife, JANET, spent a week's vacation in Pennsylvania. He said the mountains this time of the year are beautiful. They also went to Baltimore where they saw the fourth game of the world series...BILL and ELIZABETH POWELL had their vacations via Pittsburgh where they picked up Bill's brother and his wife and toured the New England states and parts of Canada. All in all, they traveled about 3,500 miles...BRUNO CZANSKOWSKI and his wife, NAOMI, toured the West Coast, stopping off at Las Vegas to pick up where JOHN DARCY left off... Sorry I missed the last issue, but I was on vacation. I did a little bass fishing for the first time in my life. I fished for crabs in the Gulf of Mexico and for a beginner, I had pretty good luck...By the time this goes to press, AMOS E. SMITH will have taken his pension...Welcome back to BILL KURTIN who had his "bendix spring" removed...A hurry and get well to CHARLES MULBRANDON, JAMES BRANDON, ROMAN FRIESBE, and BENNY BONIFAY.

- William Rehder

VERNON HENDERSON, the son of Beverly Operator IRVING HENDERSON, is stationed aboard a naval patrol boat outside Song-Ong-Doc, South Vietnam. Vernon, a radio technician specialist, is looking forward to shore leave in June, and his dad is planning a big homecoming party for him.

ENGINEERING -

The Engineering Department wishes a speedy recovery to PAT BOLSINGER who is still home sick. Hope to see you well soon, Pat, and back in "circulation" again...Your co-reporter, CAROL (Radman) BRADAC, would like to thank everyone who attended her wedding luncheon and contributed toward her gift. It was a very happy and touching surprise to see all who participated in the ordeal. The luncheon was held at Henrici's and I was gifted with a wed-

ding charm for my bracelet, plus a $50 bill. The wedding took place on November 1 at Our Lady of the Snows church. Shortly afterwards, the reception was held at Chateau Bu-sche' on 103rd and Cicero. The next day, the newly-weds flew to Miami Beach, Florida, where they visited the Parrot Jungle, Monkey Jungle, Fort Lauderdale, went deep-sea fishing, saw a few night shows, and many other sights of interest...EDWARD CULP spent four wonderful weeks driving through the southwest. Some of the ten states he visited were Texas, New Mexico, and Colorado. He claims nothing really extraordinary happened, not even a flat tire! From this we can gather that he had a very perfect vacation...We now have the latest report from the Drafting Section Girl-watchers. They say that the first floor corridor at lunch time has been vacant due to the new slack suit apparel. They recently took to playing cribbage instead. I must add, as one girl-watcher said, the office work has greatly improved due to less distractions from the opposite sex. So, girls, if you notice that you've been crammed with work lately, it could be due to the fact that the men have more time now to prepare the work. Another girl-watcher is quoted as saying, "Now, in the wintertime, the girls look much more intelligent." I think that about sums up this issue. Passing the slack suit law seems to have made conditions better for all concerned.

(West Shops) -

The plumbers recently celebrated their annual turkey raffle at the Plumbers Union hall. Our guys got their share of the gifts and prizes. HENRY KEANE won a fruit cake; RONALD HAYES, a handbag for his wife; SAM ZURO, a handbag for his wife; PAT McGING, a $10 Jewel gift certificate; JOHN PERESIN, a clock-barometer combination; JIM NAGEL, perfume, and TOM HICKS, a 17 jewel Waltham wristwatch. In addition, all plumbers received a phone index book for personal use. Congratulations, fellows, you really raked it in...We're happy to see Track Foreman TOM STAUNTON back in the office again after his long siege of working nights...Trackman GEORGE ROGERS has plenty of reason to stick his chest out with pride. His son, GEORGE, has started working towards his masters degree at Wichita State college. He is also an assistant football coach at Bethel college from which he was graduated in 1969...Your co-reporter, MARY GALLON, would like to wish each and everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

A very Merry Christmas to all. God bless each and every one of my co-workers and their families. Christmas is not only a time for exchanging gifts and sending cards, but a time to try and give each other happiness. Of course, it is only natural to give love and happiness to our family, but in sharing this happiness with others, I think we will find a deeper meaning of Christmas, for this is the time of the year when the heart rules supreme...Congratulations to Foreman JOHN JOYCE of the Repair Department on his recent appointment. We understand the men are doing a top-notch job under his direction...A short time ago Mrs. DURFEE purchased a new Buick. We understand that Operator DURFEE still has to drive the old one--at least until the new one is broken in. Oh, well, what's another year to the old man...Operator CHAPLEWSKI was on the sick list, but is now back to work. Welcome back...JOHN MAHNKE took a day off to put up his storm windows, but did he do it?..To all the men using the south end of the Jefferson Park terminal, please notice what is growing under the nose of Supervisor ROY RIPKA. Does it, or doesn't it? Let's hear from all of you in regards to how the old boy looks...Operator BRZECZEK is now enjoying his seventh grandchild. I understand that grandpa held up just fine. Of course, if the family keeps growing, it's hard to say how he will weather the next seven...Operator (Gus) GUSTAFSON, the Milwaukee avenue kid, recently spent a week visiting his son at Fort Gordon, Georgia. His son is a drill instructor there...Supervisor RAY DOWDLE, Jefferson Park, finally permitted his mother to fly. Of course, at the young age of 88, I believe she ought to be able to make up her own mind. This was Mrs. DOWDLE's first airplane ride, and she traveled to California where she visited friends and relatives...Operator WAINSCOTT is planning to take his pension in February and is moving south to live...Operator BOHANNON is now home recuperating from his recent illness...Operator TOM MEAGHER's son, RICKY, is stationed at Fort Gordon, Georgia, and will be home for Christmas and New Years...Your reporter, WILBUR, has to say a word about his son, WILLIAM, age ten, who will be posing for pictures that will appear in the "Pack of Fun" magazine next month. It's going to be tough living with a young celebrity at home...When checking for your run, please wear your cap. Be sure and take the bus out of gear when leaving it, as the hand brake can slip and cause an accident. Let's all practice safety. Help put our depot on top. It will be a big headache taken off the shoulders of our station superintendent, E. K. PETERSON. Mr. Peterson would also like to take this opportunity to wish each and everyone a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year...By the way, this time of the year brings on some extra expense for all of us. If you are in need of any of that green stuff, our credit union is always willing to extend a helping hand. So drop in and visit any of our friendly loan boys. Also, it's a great place to save.

- W. A. Henry (Don't call me Wilbur)

GENERAL OFFICE (Employe Relations) -

MARY ANNE PRELL became Mrs. PATRICK McMAHON on November 7 at Ascension church in Oak Park, Illinois. The couple honeymooned in Acapulco and Mexico City.

(Treasury) -

It was good to see MAURICE CONNORS back to work after a long siege of illness. He sure looks mighty fine and healthy.

(Insurance) -

The welcome mat is extended to SANDY MATUSZEWSKI who transferred from the Purchasing Department to take over the duties of CAROL ARNDT who left the CTA to take up household duties...Wedding bells rang out for SUSAN PIERCE who became Mrs. DANIEL GILLESPIE on Saturday, November 7, at St. Ferdinand's church. A reception was held at the Palmer House and the couple honeymooned in Florida.

(Public Information) -

KATHY MOSER came home from her Fort Lauderdale, Florida, vacation with a terrific tan and a halo over her head. We knew she was with her father, Superintendent WILLIAM J. MOSER, North Avenue, and her mother and

brother, BILL, but couldn't figure out the halo. It took two days and the delivery of a dozen beautiful long-stemmed red roses from the "wonderful guy" she met on her vacation to understand why the shining halo was there.

(Methods & Procedures) -

JACK BOLAND recently returned from a one-week vacation during which he installed new gutters and downspouts around his entire home. Believe it or not, he said he really enjoyed it...BONNIE KLETZKE has joined the "Mod Set" with an entire wardrobe of slack suits, some of which she has put on display by wearing them down to the office... CRAIG BURDA, the son of HAROLD BURDA, Property Accounting, has taken up the hobby of raising tropical fish. He now has his parents' basement full of 20-gallon tanks with all sorts of crazy attachments and lights. This is one Bohemian family that will not find it possible to use their basement for living quarters.

(Training & Accident Prevention) -

MARY GRACE JEWEL, formerly of this department and now living in London, England, gave birth to a baby girl on Friday, November 13, who weighed in at almost 9 pounds. Congratulations to mom and dad...ART HUBACZ, state commander of the Polish Legion of American Veterans, attended an executive meeting in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on November 20, 21, and 22. Art is selling American Flag writing pens, with the proceeds going to the Polish Legion of America aid to the blind program. If you want one, see Art.

(Research & Planning) -

NEIL BJORNSEN of Bay Area Rapid Transit District, and JIM HALL of A.C. Transit were in Chicago recently and looked up their friend, STEVE LEGLER of R/P. Not too long ago, Steve was in San Francisco and was given a tour of BART's transit system, so he was naturally anxious to show them around the CTA. Neil and Jim enjoyed Steve's tour, their only regret was that they couldn't stay longer. . . MARY ELLEN RUSS, together with her girl friends, was on Manhattan Island in New York for a fun weekend. They checked in at the Waldorf-Astoria and their first stop was the stage play, "Promises, Promises", on Broadway. There was the exhausting walk up the Statue of Liberty, with everyone hopeful that they could take the elevator down, and finding out they had to walk down again. Puff-puff! Then to Central Park, Greenwich Village, Times Square, the Promenade Cafe in Rockefeller Center, St. Patrick's Cathedral, and last but not least, shopping on Fifth avenue. It was a pleasant get-away-from-it-all weekend for everyone...GEORGE MACAK, along with some of his railfan buddies, were out in York, Pennsylvania, a few days where they attended the train collector's convention. George said the convention was quite interesting and he's looking forward to the next one...When Mr. VILLARREAL of the U.S. Urban Mass Transportation Administration, members of his staff and some important congressional staff people recently toured Chicago's transit system, MARY BOSKI and DIANE GRAZIANO served "coffee-and" as hostesses aboard Archer bus 3510, piloted by Instructor JOE STEINBACH. No small trick for the girls, maneuvering through the aisle as Joe maneuvered east on 76th street, but everyone agreed it would make bus riding a lot more fun if we could have that service all the time!..It's nice to have WALLY PASZYNA back with us again after his hospitalization. We sure missed picking on you, Wally... Congratulations to LOIS POTTS who became Mrs. CLARENCE CRAWLEY on October 31. May they have many happy years ahead.

(Law) -

Congratulations are in order for General Attorney GEORGE J. SCHALLER who was elected as a Circuit Court judge...The welcome mat is extended to three new attorneys added to the department: DANIEL J. FARRELL, BURTON R. LINDNER, and WILLIAM A. MURPHY.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

KEELER -

Tis the season to be jolly, but it's rather difficult this year because of the loss of one of our operators. Sincere condolences to the family of DONALD SEGAR, the brother of Operator ANDREW SEGAR. Don was the ever-bright spot in the station. He made you like him. Ironically, his birthday would have been December 20...Another difficult chore was wishing the garage crew's new bearded one--and here's the hard part, pronouncing A. SZCZEPANIK--a happy birthday, December 13...Mechanic CHESTER GAZINSKI took his vacation so he could give his wife, MARY, a happy birthday on December 6. Poor Chester had to force himself to be happy with Mary while touring the Miami Beach area and staying at the famous Castaways hotel...The following operators were more or less Christmas gifts to their parents in various years of the past: R. GONZALES, December 2; M. HAYDEN, December 7; H. RAGSDALE, December 12; R. LEGG, December 12; A. GREZLIK, December 14; G. MARTENS, December 15; J. POWELL, December 17; L. SPAULDING, December 17; O. PETERS, December 17; R. WALDROP, December 20; D. THARPE, December 22; N. DeROSE, December 23, and J. ESPOSITO, December 30. Ding-dong to all you good guys...Received a card from Pensioner FRANK CALDERON postmarked from the Holiday Inn in Somerset, Pennsylvania. Frank and the missus are conventioneers there and are really living it up...Instructor CHARLES WEYER, even though he was vacationing throughout Florida and the environs, just couldn't forget the boys back home. Charles also wishes to thank Relief Instructor MASTERSON for pinch-hitting for him... A nice card of gratitude was posted recently from Pensioned Supervisor VAN DER MEER. Van deserves many, many years of happy relaxation...Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN became an eight-count grandpa with the arrival of little KELLY MARIE...Oops--Operator N. NEIL's wife,

THE HAPPY bride and groom are TOM and MARIE CRAWLEY who were united in holy matrimony on October 3 at Our Lady of the Snow church. The lovely bride is the former MARIE MALINOWSKI of the Claim Department.

NEW PENSIONERS

PRINCE H. CAMERON, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 1-20-44
MILLARD A. ENSWORTH, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 8-18-36
CARL F. GUSE, Signal Maintenance Specialist,
Electrical, Emp. 10-13-33
ELIZABETH M. HAWKINS, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 1-31-45
CARL W. JOHNSON, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 8-18-37
PATRICK E. KANE, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 12-9-42
JOSEPH A. KELLY, Superintendent,
District A, Emp. 5-9-23
EUGENE C. METZ, Operator,
Limits, Emp. 8-31-36
MATTHEW J. O'CALLAGHAN, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 8-18-37
WILLIAM E. REDMOND, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 11-6-33
JOHN J. STACK, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 1-30-29
FRED R. STOEHRMAN, Car Serviceman,
Kimball, Emp. 5-5-26

DISABILITY RETIREMENT

JACOB C. JACOBSEN, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 11-17-36

ROSIE LEE, cut the birthday cake on December 29...In the "Ho-Hum" department, we have Operator FREDDIE HOLDEN becoming a papa on November 7. Little Miss Holden weighed in at 7½ pounds and donned jersey number 9...To insure many happy Christmases to come, Operator T. JOHNSON and his wife adopted a darling little girl on November 26...Operator DAVID and MARY LOIS ROBBINS are still honeymooning after two years of wedded bliss on December 14...Operator JOHN JARECKI was so afraid he would goof last month and not remember to let us know it was his anniversary, he remembered the date but forgot to give me his lady's name. So, ROBERTA, here's a happy anniversary to you this month all by yourself...From an authoritative source, word was received that Clerk RONNIE MILLER has a five-car garage, but has to park his car down the street or wherever possible. It seems that Ronnie has provided free storage for a number of church pews. Do you think, fellows, that Ronnie is planning to start his own bingo games?..Speaking of games brings to mind our own Operator ANTHONY BERRY. Tony has doffed the baseball managerial cap to take up the chores as manager of our station basketball team and lead them to victory. Two of Tony's stalwart athletes, BOBBY BARRY and H. RAGSDALE, were selected to represent Keeler in the annaul All-Star game at the Stadium. Loads of luck, fellows. ..Station Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN and Assistant Station Superintendents M. H. DeWITT and L. R. MUELLER extend seasons greetings to one and all and join with the Instruction Department in thanks for the excellent accident record which has been maintained throughout the past year. So let's break our own record next year, gang. One good way to start is by being fair to our garage gang and sign in those little faults that you alone know about. I will guarantee that our mechanics will remedy them...Operator D. L. BABER contributed a real nice poem, but due to allowance of space and the editor's policy, it cannot be printed. We will, however, post it on the bulletin board for everyone to see...So, guys and dolls, Yule greetings and may the New Year be just the medicine to cure all your leftover ills.

- Ernest C. Carter

LAWNDALE -

On November 8 the Lawndale softball team got together for the first time since the softball season ended, and we discussed a few of the outstanding games of the season. In viewing the film that we had of some of the games, and discussing some vital statistics, we decided to select our own most valuable player. The man selected was our fine right fielder, GEORGE REEVES. Upon receiving a token of appreciation for his very fine effort, George modestly replied, "Thank you, I deserve it."..On November 10 Secretary of Transportation John Volpe and some of his staff were in Chicago to observe and tour some of the CTA facilities. Among the personnel on this tour was Lawndale's Chief Instructor JOE STEINBACH...Lawndale was well represented at the last meeting of the Little Flower Society held on October 25...Clerk ED McDERMOTT has always considered Lawndale his home, but now there is another homesteader right next to him and he's Chief Clerk RUSS GUNDERSON, and they both contend that they run a flawless operation...STAN HYERCZYK is now known as the Polish Count...EDDIE KAWCZYNSKI is now the proud grandfather of eight...MARTY KARIOLICH is proud of his 30 years of service which he observed on November 29... LEON MINOR and WARD CHAMBERLAIN both enjoyed Thanksgiving vacations...JOHN MANUS is back on the buses, fellows, so beware...The basketball season is in full swing now and you can view the games at the Washington Park Fieldhouse on Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m., and on Wednesday at the South Shore YMCA at 7 p.m...On December 5 the Greater Lawndale AMVET Post 247 held their pre-Christmas record hop and it was a tremendous success...Now that the yuletide season is upon us, Operator F. HRUBY is going to give J. GALVIN a trip to the moon for Christmas; B. KLECKA wants a new car, that is if JOE NOLAN will give it to him; SAM HARDY wants a vacation; C. KACZOROWSKI a new car; P. MOLFESE a different run; J. LUSCALZO anything that he can get; P. KUREK wants new clothes to keep him warm while he's pulling boxes; F. FARRELLY wants a trip to Ireland; S. ZIARKO wants a better night car; E. STRUGALLA can't make up his mind if he wants to take 3 or 4 minutes; A. POMAR wants a new record and a clean slate; R. SURITA wants a new guitar; G. MALARZ wants a four-day work week, and D. LOCHIRCO wants a massager...The following personnel have birthdays this month: C. AUGUST, E. BROWN, E. BURNETT, T. COLEMAN, R. DILLARD, O. T. HAFFORD, W. HALLA, C. HILL, A. JACKSON, R. JENKINS, R. JONES, L. KAZDA, A. KENNEDY, J. KETCHUM, R. LAY, J. MARSHALL, S. MARTIN, C. McQUAY, M. NAVARRO, J.

PATER, T. SHAW, M. WALTON, R. WILLIAMS, and L. WILLIAMSON. Happy birthday, fellows...Our deepest sympathy to Operator W. CONNIE Sr. on the recent passing of his mother...We are happy to report that the mother of Clerk BILL RUDDLE is recovering nicely since her recent surgery...Heroism is something that isn't displayed by all of us every day, but when such a deed is done, the person involved deserves to be recognized. CORNELIUS DIXON has been cited for his heroic act in helping to rescue three children and their parents from a burning car. Operator Dixon is indeed a credit to the CTA, his co-workers, and himself. Congratulations on this great deed...Well, fellows, the yuletide season is now in full swing and that means that everyone has the holiday spirit. So be extra careful when you are on your respective jobs. Slow down when that snow begins to fall, and always keep a watchful eye for we all want to be around to enjoy the holidays together. To save yourself a lot of trouble, stay in the right hand lane all along your route, especially on Adams street downtown between Clark and LaSalle. To the repair department, clerks, and all my co-workers, I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

- James Marshall

LIMITS -

The Limits Station credit union annual business meeting and party will be held on January 17, 1:00 p.m., at Weiglets Hall, Byron and Damen avenues. There will be plenty of refreshments and door prizes after a short business session...Superintendent GEORGE MAY and his dear wife, SOPHIE, enjoyed a wonderful vacation in sunny San Diego, California. They did quite a bit of sightseeing and visited many friends...Operator RONALD BROWN and his bride of a few months vacationed in California where they had a wonderful time in Disneyland...Pensioner CARL LEAF recently celebrated his 92nd year of birth. He is in good health and sends his best regards to all of his old friends. Carl is living at the Swedish Covenant home on Foster and California avenues...We had two old-timers who are enjoying their pension to the fullest as visitors at Limits last month. ARTHUR LIETZ from Mobile, Alabama, and JOE LEHMAN from Port Austin, Michigan. Both men are in excellent health and send their best regards to all of the men they worked with...Supervisor and Mrs. JOSEPH ROSSIE are mighty proud of their son, DAVID, who is serving with the first aircraft maintenance battalion, U.S. Army, and was chosen as battalion "soldier of the month." He was selected from among 400 men in his battalion and 2,000 men in the brigade. Congratulations to this fine young man. ..Our maintenance man, EDWARD FEDEROWICZ, has been in intensive care at Grant hospital for some time. We all are wishing you a speedy recovery as we miss your smiles and good sense of humor...Our sincerest sympathy to Pensioner ERNIE PASCHKE in the loss of his dear wife after a lingering illness...BERNARD KYLE reports from the repair department that PHILLIP O'CONNOR, foreman for three months, was transferred to North Park. EDWARD MURRAY is now the day foreman at Limits. Good luck to both of you men...Welcome to WILLIAM CANTWELL, new repairman. May your stay with us be a long and pleasant one...WILLIAM BARRETT suffered a hand injury while working on his automobile, but due to the excellent care he received at St. Joseph hospital, he is none the worse from his injury...Happy birthday to the following men of the Repair Department: ROBERT LAZARZ, JAMES GLENN, FRANK GUARDERAS, and CHARLES HOWARD...Limits repairmen and servicemen wish to extend holiday greetings to all.

- R. S. Benson

PICTURED HERE is **TIM O'CONNOR** who recently completed his basic training at Fort Dix, New Jersey. Tim, a former summer employe of CTA, is the son of **JOHN P. O'CONNOR**, supervisor of graphics and statistics, Research/Planning.

LOOP -

At this writing Agents GERTRUDE YARDLEY, BETTY RUSSO, and DOROTHY PARKER are recovering from surgery. Hurry back, girls...ROSE PATILLARO was on the sick list for awhile but has recovered and is back to work, we are happy to say...WILBUR STRASSER is also back on the job, and we hope he will continue to stay healthy...EARL GILBERT had a bout with a virus, but won the battle, and is back to the Visifare doing his thing...Our deepest sympathy to Agents MINNIE DIKEMAN on the death of her brother, and to JULIE MATTRAN whose father passed away on November 12. Minnie and Julie have asked us to thank all their good friends for their kind expressions of sympathy during their bereavement...Your co-reporter, MILDRED DOYLE, is confined to Christ Community hospital in Oak Lawn, Illinois. We hope her stay will be a short one. I'm sure she would like to receive a card or a note from her friends...On the brighter side of the news, DOLORES GRZELAK, the lovely daughter of HELEN GRZELAK, was married on November 28 in St. Cornelius church to JAMES STEED. The young couple will honeymoon in Colorado where James is stationed with the armed forces...Student Agent VICKI OTIS was graduated from Chicago State college on December 22. Vicki, who is only 19, has been accepted at Stanford university where she will study for her masters degree in psychology. Congratulations, Vicki, we are proud of you...GRACE MOUNTS and her spouse drove to Michigan to spend a delightful weekend visiting with her sisters. All that girl talk, poor CLEM...GENNY HARDING had two weeks vacation time left over so she decided to make it a crazy mixed-up holiday. She spent some time visiting in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Next on the agenda was a visit to the Ice Follies and then (would you believe) the circus. After that, a lot of relaxing at home. Sounds like fun, Gen. . . Agent SUE MATTHIEU told me it had long been a desire of hers to be a CTA ticket agent. Well, we are happy now that Sue has made it and welcome her into our group...Welcome also to FRED TRIEM, student agent, who attends Chicago Circle Campus. Fred is a bright, conscientious fellow who we are sure will be an asset to our group...On November 12, JILL and SAM BATTAGLIA became the proud parents of a precious baby boy, DARRIN JAMES, weighing in at 8 pounds 1 ounce. The ecstatic

parents are up on cloud 9, followed close behind by grandma, Agent JULIE MATTRAN, and grandpa, RAY... Help! Help! We are still calling on all of you to send us news. Retirees let us know what you are doing; we do care, you know. Students and regulars get on the ball, contribute to our column... It was indeed a joyous Thanksgiving at the home of Supervisor PETE NAUGHTON. His daughter, KATHI, has left the sanitarium and is happy to be at home again in the family circle. Good luck, Kathi, stay well...It's that gay happy season again. Our best wishes for joy and peace to one and all. Keep smiling.

- Mildred Doyle & Mary Wirted

NORTH AVENUE -

Our target is to have everyone a member of the Courtesy Caravan Club. Congratulations to Operators EDMUND KLEDZIK, W. BROWN, PETER MADIA, R. SUTTON, E. DOWNEY, R. BOULDIN, JEFFERY PRICE, ALBERT MATULIS, and ROBERT KELLY who made it...Bus Serviceman PETER GERAME was treated to a homecoming football game between Northwestern and Purdue universities at Evanston on October 24 by his son, PETER Jr., who was graduated from Northwestern two years ago. He is now enrolled at DePaul university working for his masters degree...We have three November 1 pensioners: Operators STEPHEN SOVISS, RUSSELL BROOKS, and PAUL BURGE. Paul is touring Mexico with his trailer. We hope they'll keep in touch... Former Switchboard Operator CHARLEY SCHMIDT celebrated his (?) birthday the day before Halloween. We all wish him many, many more. Our congratulations to Switchboard Operator WALTER BLIX and his best gal, VIRGINIA, who celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on November 8. Our condolences to Mrs. Blix on the loss of her youngest brother just two days before her anniversary. We extend our sympathy also to Clerk WALTER BROWN on the recent loss of his father-in-law who passed away after a long illness. May all of the bereaved find comfort in the promise, "In my Father's house are many mansions. I go to prepare a place for you.".. Pensioner BILL ECHOLS is visiting a friend for a few months but expects to return to Benedictine Manor...Pensioner ERNEST BOCK is home and progressing well...Instructors BOB MORRISON and JIM HENDERSON were recently confined to hospital beds. We hope all the pretty nurses who surrounded them were helpful in getting them on their feet. Good luck, fellows... Operator EDWARD SZAREK's wife was in the hospital and we hope she is well on the road to recovery...We miss Superintendent FRANK BUETOW who has been on the sick list and hope he will be back soon... Since Operator EDWARD NEUMAN won that thermometer from the Town Hall Assembly's recent fall festival you can get the correct temperature from him each morning...Now that the new pick is in effect, we hope all of you operators got what you wanted and won't be saying, "When are we gonna' have another pick." The clerks had their semi-annual pick, and the only major change here at North Avenue was the loss of Clerk WALTER BROWN who went to 77th. In his place we welcome BOB (The Storyteller) WITTENBERG... Superintendent BILL MOSER and his family enjoyed their vacation, although the boss is just a little bit sorry the plane wasn't hijacked to Cuba. Just think how much more of a ride he would have had for his money, so says Switchboard Operator WALTER BLIX who is always so helpful getting this news together each month. ..In a few days your scribe plans to head south for a fishing trip. Pensioner LARS PEARSON has promised to have all the nearby fish in a biting mood...I met three pensioners: JOHN SENKO, WILLIAM MAIRE, and CAL ASH. All are looking good and asked to be remembered to their old friends...We all have our wishes for the New Year, but one wish I'm sure we all have in common is the wish for peace and the return of our boys.

- William Miedema

MILWAUKEE, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

CATHERINE DALY was around to visit some of the ladies on the Kennedy extension the other day. Catherine looks great and says she is enjoying her pension, finally doing all those little things she never had time to do before...Janitor J. LEE is planning to go on pension in January or February. Grand, Chicago, and Division stations won't be the same without him, as he keeps his stations so clean and is very well liked by everyone...Congratulations to RONALD and RENEE DONNER who just purchased a home at 81st and Kingston. Hope they have many years of happiness there... MILDRED DOYLE is in the hospital again. Hope to see her back to work and feeling better soon...HELEN CHRISTNER seems to be having her share of troubles. A few days after her son was seriously hurt in an auto accident she took a nasty fall and ended up in the hospital herself. Helen is home recuperating now and hopes to be back to work soon... Welcome to new agents ROSALIA GALIC and CHARLENE SUMMERS. Here's hoping your stay with CTA will be long and enjoyable...We wish to extend our sympathy to BETTY FINLEY whose father, ROY COTTON, passed away on November 6. Condolences also are extended to the family of Retired Agent STEVE SASIAVEK who passed away recently... Collector KAULIS and his wife are planning to spend a few weeks in Las Vegas very soon. It's about time Kaulis decided to take a vacation for himself, instead of spending it babysitting. Hope you return rested and maybe a little richer from your trip, Kaulis...For the life of me, I cannot figure out how that sweet shy lady, JUNE BAREKMAN, got to be known as the vamp of Van Buren street... MARY GALLAGHER is going to spend the holidays visiting her folks in Ireland. Hope you have a good trip, Mary...Congratulations to Former Collector MacMANUS who has qualified as clerk. Mac said that although the midnight hours aren't the greatest, he is enjoying the job very much...STEVE CUNNINGHAM, Loop janitor gang leader, is still on the sick list. He's home from the hospital now and hopes to return to work soon...BETTY RUSSO and LOUISE DREWS are still off sick. Hope to see you both back on the job soon...In reference to that fateful day, November 20, hang down your head TOM LINDENMUTH and remember that it hurts us more than it hurts you...Three cheers for women's liberation and our broadminded, understanding, young-at-heart management in its ruling on the wearing of pants suits by female employes!..HELEN GRZELAK seems more excited about her daughter's wedding than her daughter is. The best of luck to the young couple and to Helen.

- Grace Mounts & Katy Moriarty

NORTH PARK -

The North Park credit union annual business meeting will be held Friday, January 8, at River Park fieldhouse, 5100 N. Francisco avenue at 8 p.m. Dividends will be de-

THESE TWO look-alikes are ANTHONY and MICHAEL CARLISLE, the twin grandsons of Forest Glen Serviceman TONY YACOVACCI. Anthony and Michael celebrated their first birthday on November 26.

clared and refreshments will be served. There will also be drawings for door prizes. All members are urged to attend...North Park was well represented at the Little Flower Communion breakfast held Sunday, October 26. Fathers Quentin and Paul, and the committee members wish to thank everyone for their help. Prize winners were: EDWARD BADEN, LARRY SHIELDS, GEORGE SADLICKI, and Pensioner DONALD GILL. Also in attendance were Pensioners MIKE PHILBIN, ROY RAPP, NICK MUENCHEN, and JACK KARASEK. Missed by the gang was JOSEPH (Take Charge) GRASSL...Operator ROY LEMKE and his wife, MARION, enjoyed their annual fall fishing trip to Lake Norfolk, Arkansas. Ray and Marion enjoyed several days at Forsyth, Missouri, where they stayed at Pensioner ART and RUTH MUIR's home. As usual, Roy came home with a large catch of bass...Operator JOHN O'BRIEN and his wife, MERCEDES, spent a week at the home of Pensioner JOE and CLARA VAN DEN EEDEN in Loretta, Michigan. The highlight of the visit was a trip around Lake Superior, where the colors and scenery were at their best...Operator ROGER AYOTTE and his wife, HELEN, and their children, DEBORAH and MONICA, spent a weekend at Galena, Illinois, where they took in all the historic sights and antique shops...Operator LEO STERN and his wife, MILDRED, and their children, ROBIN and STEVEN, vacationed throughout the northwest states. Highlights of their trip were visits to Glacier National Park, the Canadian Rockies, Vancouver, B.C., Seattle, Washington, and a tour of the State of Oregon. An unusual incident happened on the trip. Leo was stung by a wasp on the finger and neck and needed medical care...Pensioner GEORGE VOIGHT and his wife, BEA, toured the West on a vacation trip. They were very impressed with Arizona where they are hoping to settle soon...Operator MARVIN SALMONOFF and his wife, ETHELYN, vacationed throughout the East. Highlights of the trip were visits to Asbury Park and Ocean Grove, New Jersey, Independence Hall in Philadelphia, Monroeville, Pennsylvania, and the New York City area...Operator LE ROY CARR and his wife, LOUISE, drove their son, TOM, to Coral Gables, Florida, where Tom is attending the University of Miami, majoring in marine biology. Also on the agenda were stops at St. Augustine, Cape Kennedy, Miami Beach, Sarasota, St. Petersburg, Weeki Wachi, Silver Springs, and a meal at the Capot restaurant in Clearwater that the Carrs enjoyed and stated as the finest on the trip... Operator FRANK VON SCHWEDLER and his wife, BETTY, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a glorious trip to Hawaii. On the agenda were visits to Oahu, Pearl Harbor, Diamond Head, surfing on Waikiki Beach, and two days on Kaluai where they enjoyed a helicopter ride and a round of golf. The next stop was at Maui where they enjoyed the famous Kaanapali beach, with another round of golf at the Royal Kaanapali golf course. Then on to the big island of Hawaii where they spent two days on the Kona coast and then two days at the Hilo side of Hawaii where they enjoyed the black sand beach and the Icilauca Crater... Operator HENRY SCHRAMM and his wife, ELIZABETH, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with Elizabeth's sister, Mrs. MARGARET WOLF, and her husband, LADNER, of Glenside, Pennsylvania. The Schramms also had a few days in New York City where they did considerable sightseeing...Pensioner STEWART BORGESSON reports that he has purchased a six-flat building and is enjoying his golden age life to the hilt...Mrs. MARIE HODGES, the wife of Operator RONALD HODGES, is hospitalized at this writing at Edgewater hospital for observation, and our prayers are with her...Pensioner HAROLD COOK was a recent visitor at the depot and reports that he is selling Colonial of Zeeland, a famous brand of grandfather's clocks, at a big discount. Harold's address is 6224 N. Melvina avenue...Operator GENE BRUDNEY won an 18 pound turkey in a raffle sponsored by the Park Ridge Veterans of Foreign Wars. Operator CHARLEY KEMP was the ticket seller and is expecting an invitation to dinner...DANIEL BROWN, the son of Operator AUBREY BROWN, after 36 months of service with the United States Navy, began his career as a bus operator at North Park Depot. We welcome Daniel and hope his stay will be a long one...Operator WILLIAM OCIEPKA became engaged on Sunday, October 25, to Miss MARY ELLEN POCRNICH. The wedding plans are set for April, 1972, at St. Matthais church. Mary Ellen's father, JOHN, is the owner of Red's Drive Inn, located across from North Park Depot...Pensioner BILL SEIFERT of Southgate, California, sent a note to the depot wishing his many friends a happy holiday season and reports that he is enjoying every minute of retired life...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to Operator BILL KNUDSON on the loss of his father, Mr. KNUDSON, and to CTA Police Lieutenant JOE OSTERBERGER and Pensioner FRANK OSTERBERGER on the loss of their mother, Mrs. OSTERBERGER.

Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Operator WILLIAM STINESPRING and his wife, DOLLY, their 41st; Operator JESSE GILMORE and his wife, ROSE, their 14th; Pensioner MIKE PARK and his wife, GLADYS, their 17th; Operator JOHN WAIT and his wife, LUCILLE, their 32nd; Operator SAM BAKER and his wife, HELEN, their 30th; Operator ALLEN LICHTER and his wife, JUDY, their 11th; Operator IRVING WEINER and his wife, IDA, their 40th, and Instructor WALTER STEINBEISS and his wife, MARY, their 34th...Happy birthdays are extended to the following: Operators GEORGE HAND, PETE MARCHISOTTO, ROY LEMKE, MEL HORNING, TOM CONROY, HAROLD ANDERSCHAT, CARL SANDBURG, MERVA HAND, JIM KURCZEWSKI, DEBORAH and MONICA AYOTTE, BARBARA ANDERSCHAT, and WILLIAM and TAMMY RAY...Operator PATRICK (Sugar) KANE retired on December 1 after serving CTA and the Chicago Surface Lines for 28 years. To Pat, who was one of our finest Sheridan road operators, we extend our good wishes for the years ahead...The personnel of North Park extend a hearty welcome to PHIL O'CONNOR who replaced Pensioner CHARLEY DUNNE as day foreman, while AUGUSTUS HENNELLY, formerly of Forest Glen, will be the new p.m. foreman. ..Repairman DENNIS CRONIN has been promoted to relief foreman on the night shift...WILLIAM FALLEN, JOHN BARRON, BOB GRANT, MIKE SALVAGGIO, and M. AR-

RINGTON are new members of the gang at the garage and we hope their stay will be a long one...Congratulations are extended to BILL CANTWELL who has become a repairman and is now working at Limits Depot. . . Repairman FRANK CIONE drove to the West Coast on his vacation and keyed in on many of the attractions that California has to offer. Also on vacations at this time are: LENNY TROZANOWSKI, HERMAN AMBOS, GENE DRZEWICKI, and ED OLENDER...All of the office personnel, Superintendents ROBERT KEAG, JACK MORRIS and VIC JOHNSON, Instructors BILL PARNUM, WALTER STEINBEISS, ART HIGGENS and ED SCHWAMB, the receivers, clerks, and janitors, wish to extend Season's Greetings to all the employes at this station and their families. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the men in each department who have helped me with news items each month.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

A hearty welcome to all the new employes on the North Side. We extend greetings to the following men: T. DONES, C. KIBBLE, J. NAVY, W. CONNORS, L. ROACH, M. PHILIPS, V. BURNETT, J. LIVINGSTON, and A. ELDRIDGE. The following men are new North Side ticket agents: G. TUFANO and EARL WILEY. Mr. Wiley came to us from North Avenue depot...Our wishes for a speedy recovery go to Kimball Avenue Supervisor DICK STANTON. Dick was in the hospital for a month and is now at home. Everyone misses him and we hope he will soon return...Howard Street Supervisor JOE KORAL was telling us that his son, CHARLES, enlisted in the air force and is stationed at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. Good luck, Ricky, from many of your dad's friends at CTA... Agent GERDA MATTHEWS and her husband, BILL, recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Gerda hopes to reach her golden anniversary. To them we wish 25 more joyous and happy years...Agent BETTY HAWKINS celebrated her age of retirement birthday on November 18, and will take her pension on December 1. We shall all miss her and her happy friendly ways. Many of Betty's friends from the CTA had a party for her and wished her many fun-filled days of retirement...We welcome back to the North Side a former clerk, A. THOMAS. Andrew is now working as a conductor and we are glad to have him back with us...Agent LORRAINE ORR has returned to work after being off on the sick list. Agent MARGARET McCORMICK was also on the sick list. We wish them both good health...EDWARD DURANGO, former motorman and ticket agent, is now in training for station clerk. Your many friends wish you good luck...Former Student Ticket Agent BARBARA COLWELL is now a full-time agent. Welcome to the regulars. Barbara is the wife of Instructor COLWELL, and the daughter of North Side Station Clerk JIM DOHERTY...Agent MAURICE CAMPBELL retired on November 1. He was the midnight agent at Thorndale Station for many years. If we know Camp, he will spend his days behind the end of a fishing rod. Good luck, Camp, and don't let the big ones get away...Time has passed, and we have just received word that Ticket Agent ESTELLE JOHNSON and her husband recently suffered the bereavement of four loved ones in their family within a few days of each other. To them we express our deepest and sincerest sympathy...We also wish to express our sympathy to Ticket Agent HENRY THELIN. Henry's mother passed away on November 15 at the age of 87. Also to Agent TOM QUINLAN on the death of his aunt. May you all hold fond memories of your loved ones...Collector JOE GOLDBERG and his wife, BEVERLY, celebrated their birthdays on November 21 and 23, respectively. Joe said he is 60 and as proud as punch of it...Has anyone on the North Side noticed the four-inch extra span on Supervisor PAT O'MALLEY's chest? That's because Pat's the proud grandfather of two youngsters. Pat's two daughters recently made him grandpa for the first time...We were sorry to hear that Assistant Station Superintendent R. SUTA's four year old son was hit by a motorcycle. His thighbone was fractured and he also required stitches for head injuries. He was hospitalized for 24 days and is now back home. We wish him a speedy and full recovery...Ticket Agent JERRY OLSON is on the sick list, and Agent EARL STEVENS is still in the Municipal Sanitarium and is to undergo surgery. Also, Agent EVELYN LANZ is in the hospital where she underwent surgery on her eye. . . Agents SARA SIMMONS, DORTHEA DAVIS and other members of the Thompson Community Singers will again take part in a benefit performance at the Auditorium theatre. The theme of the benefit will be, "The Impossible Dream," with the proceeds going to Malcolm X college. Both Sara and Dorthea have magnificent singing voices and enjoy using their natural talents singing with this group...North Side Station Clerk ANDRE CROUT had November 28 off to celebrate his birthday. Happy birthday, Andre. How many candles were on the cake? Watch out, Andre, old age is creeping up...If anyone sees an orange streak going down Howard Street, look again, it could be Supervisor ART HUBBARD in his new orange Chevy. VRROOM...Birthday wishes to Agents DOREEN HORN, MYRTLE OTT, and DORTHEA DAVIS...Division 308 recently feted the members of the softball team with a victory banquet. To all the players we say thanks for a wonderful fun-filled year of softball. And for 1971, may it be a victorious year for the team...Our sympathy to Janitor CHESTER STEBE and his family on the death of his father who passed away suddenly...Our prayers are with Agent B. ATKINSON whose daughter is in St. Francis hospital in very serious condition. We pray that she will soon be well. ..Your reporter and her husband, GEORGE, just completed a wonderful three-week vacation in our good old U.S.A. We drove to Colorado Springs and walked around in the snow in shirt sleeves. What wonderful weather. We also went to Santa Fe, New Mexico, to Roswell, and to the Carlsbad Caverns. We had the pleasure of the company of Miss SUSSE JACOBSEN, who has been visiting our family from Denmark for the past five months, and returned to Denmark on December 4. The three of us traveled a total of 4,217 miles. But, as with all vacations, it was too short... In just a few more days we will close the pages of another year. To some, it was a year of joy and happiness, with dreams come true; and to others, it has been a year of sadness, heartaches, and heartbreaks. But as we open the cover of the new book of 1971, may we always keep in mind, that for the next 365 days the age-old message spoken only one day each year, but meant for every day: Peace on earth, good will towards all men. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all. This is our wish to you from TINA and GEORGE.

- Tina Henke

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Hi, everyone!..Superintendent G. S. GRAYBIEL, Purchasing, Specifications and Stores Departments, went

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

ANTHONY BUGLIO, 90, Way & Structures,
Emp. 4-27-09, Died 9-26-70
JOHN CANGELOSI, 84, Track,
Emp. 4-4-21, Died 10-14-70
DANIEL CATE, 89, South Section,
Emp. 9-24-00, Died 11-3-70
STANLEY DOMEK, 73, Forest Glen,
Emp. 6-1-35, Died 10-11-70
JOSEPH DYRA, 91, North Section,
Emp. 9-18-07, Died 10-28-70
CARLO FERRARO, 81, West Section,
Emp. 9-16-47, Died 9-27-70
MARY A. HANLEY, 75, West Section,
Emp. 5-27-43, Died 10-11-70
LOUIS P. HANSEN, 65, North Avenue,
Emp. 1-6-28, Died 11-4-70
HARRY A. HANUSKA, 62, West Section,
Emp. 6-25-37, Died 10-3-70
FRANK X. HODAP, 73, Accounting,
Emp. 2-22-42, Died 10-13-70
JAMES HOLLOWAY, 24, Kedzie,
Emp. 4-21-69, Died 11-2-70
PETER J. HOMMERDING, 73, Kedzie,
Emp. 8-24-22, Died 10-26-70
EDWARD JACOBS, 60, 77th Street,
Emp. 12-3-47, Died 10-25-70
JOHN J. KAIN, 60, West Section,
Emp. 11-18-36, Died 10-24-70
JOHN LABELLARTE, 73, Kedzie,
Emp. 1-24-29, Died 10-31-70
NELS L. LARSON, 68, Electrical,
Emp. 5-8-25, Died 10-20-70
DANIEL McEVOY, 64, Electrical,
Emp. 11-7-33, Died 10-31-70
MARVIN H. McFALL, 66, 77th Street,
Emp. 11-23-26, Died 10-20-70
WILFRED McGIVERN, 82, Kedzie,
Emp. 8-18-20, Died 10-15-70
OSCAR F. MOSER, 77, Devon,
Emp. 9-16-20, Died 10-7-70
THOMAS E. NOLAN, 77, 77th Street,
Emp. 2-5-21, Died 10-25-70
JOSEPH OLIVER, 59, 52nd Street,
Emp. 3-5-45, Died 10-31-70
VINCENT F. OSTROWSKI, 70, Forest Glen,
Emp. 4-26-44, Died 10-19-70
AMEDEO PARENTI, 61, Limits,
Emp. 10-7-42, Died 10-20-70
ALBERT C. POTRAZ, 76, 69th Street,
Emp. 3-1-17, Died 10-11-70
JOSEPH L. PROULX, 81, Kedzie,
Emp. 1-16-23, Died 10-4-70
FERDINAND P. RENN, 74, South Section,
Emp. 9-9-29, Died 10-28-70
TEBE RICHARDSON, 63, West Section,
Emp. 8-16-67, Died 10-18-70
JOHN J. RUBERRY, 72, Accounting,
Emp. 5-4-20, Died 10-29-70
JAMES RUDDY, 71, 61st Street,
Emp. 10-24-45, Died 10-12-70
LILLIAN M. RUSSELL, 80, South Section,
Emp. 4-4-22, Died 10-7-70
STEVEN SASIADEK, 67, West Section,
Emp. 5-26-43, Died 10-28-70
CHARLES SCHERY, 85, West Section,
Emp. 3-15-24, Died 10-2-70
HARRY J. SCHLESSER, 64, West Section,
Emp. 1-25-24, Died 10-9-70
ANDREW F. SCHMITZ, 75, 69th Street,
Emp. 12-4-25, Died 10-27-70
DONALD SEGAR, 39, Keeler,
Emp. 11-16-59, Died 11-14-70
CARMEN TROTTA, 68, Way & Structures,
Emp. 7-17-36, Died 10-26-70
IRA VAN BUSKIRK, 76, Devon,
Emp. 3-29-26, Died 9-27-70
JIMMIE D. WHITTAKER, 59, South Section,
Emp. 9-25-52, Died 10-18-70

hunting in Nebraska for one week of his vacation. Aiding him in his search for pheasant, geese, and duck was his mascot--his dog, an English springer spaniel. His best game, of which he shot the limit, was geese! Mr. Graybiel ended his well-spent vacation by attending a football game at his alma mater, the University of Nebraska, which is third in the nation and will play in the Orange Bowl at the end of the season...R. L. MANVILLE, superintendent of Purchasing, and his wife went to Louisville, Kentucky, to spend the weekend with his daughter and family. They drove there from Signal Mountain, Tennessee. . . MARY BETH MURRAY, Purchasing, CECILIA TRUCCO, Stores, and MARY ELLEN RUSS, Research and Planning, along with two other girls spent a long weekend in New York. They stayed at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel on Park avenue. When they arrived at the hotel, they met and talked with none other than Liberace! The girls took a tour of the U.N. building, viewed a Broadway play, saw the Rockefeller Center, Greenwich Village, and St. Patrick's Cathedral. They said it was the most beautiful church they had ever seen. They took a ferry to the Statue of Liberty and decided to climb to the top. They took the stairs rather than the elevator, and it took them about a half hour. Whew! When they finally got to the top, they were very much disappointed to see that the statue had a small head. Everybody has their own way of getting a head...Wonderful news! ED CUMMINGS, buyer, Purchasing, and his wife celebrated their 36th wedding anniversary on November 29 at the Homestead with the maid of honor and best man from their wedding...West Virginia was the place of a two-week vacation for H. A. FULLRIEDE of Specifications and his wife. They found that the pollution there is as bad as Chicago and that the Kanawha River Valley is worse! They also went to Decorah, Iowa, to visit their son and his wife and grandson. Their son, RICHARD, is attending Luther college there. Richard is captain of the Luther college football team, and because of this, he escorted one of the young misses during the annual Homecoming Court. Richard formerly worked for the CTA as a temporary conductor. With three generations of Fullriedes, that must have been a real treat...We are sorry to see SANDY MATUSZEWSKI, Specifications, leave us. She is taking a new position in the Insurance Department. We wish her the best of luck...Superintendent J. T. HARTY, Stores, and his wife drove east with the intention of visiting two grandsons in Washington, D.C.—for ten lovely days of spoiling them. They moved on for a brief

tour of the East Coast and back home... THERESA DeLEONARDIS, Stores, couldn't wait to come back to tell everyone about her short trip. She went upstairs to clean her attic. She states, "I had to clean the bats from the belfry." Oh, well...We are sorry to hear that BOB PIEPER's wife is in Wesley Memorial hospital for tests. Bob is from Stores in the General Office. We hope it's nothing serious, Bob...IRENE PETERSON, Stores, will take on a new job assignment--but in the same department. She will be the new material classification clerk. The best of luck to you, Irene...KENNETH SIPICH, Stores, South Shops, paid us a visit in the Mart recently. He was on a brief leave of absence from the army before beginning his tour of duty in Viet Nam. We wish Ken much luck...HANK BRANDENBURG, stock clerk II, South Shops, is off sick. We hope he's feeling great before the holidays spring upon us...We are happy to report that WAYMOND COBB, laborer, South Shops, is out of the hospital and recuperating at home...Our sympathies are extended to EDDIE GRZENIA, stock clerk I, South Shops, in the passing of his mother...MIKE KORZEN, divisional storekeeper, Skokie, and his wife went "bumming" around southern California. They visited Disneyland in its entirety, spent two days at Lake Tahoe in Nevada, and spent a week in northern California. The weather, Mike says, was beautiful. They only had two hours of rain. Not bad for a three-week vacation...We are happy to report that SAM CANELLA, fork lift operator, Skokie, is a grandfather again, but this time it is something special. Sam finally had his first grandson! The new member of the Canella breed was named SALVATORE and weighed in at 6 pounds 7 ounces. Much happiness to all of you...We are sorry to report that VINCENT SCIMECA's brother, VICTOR, passed away. Vincent is a laborer at Skokie Shops...EDDIE DAVIS, derrick car laborer, Storeroom 48, South, was hurt on the job today. He caught his thumb in the door. Ouch! We hope you have a very speedy recovery, Eddie...Before we sign off 1970 from our calendars, we want to wish everyone the happiest holiday season ever. See you next year.

- Cathy Raschick & John Gill

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

MARGARET ARCHER and her daughter, MARGARET, flew to Denver, Colorado, for a vacation, and spent a week with her son and daughter-in-law. If I'm not mistaken, one of the main reasons for this trip was to see her new granddaughter, SUZANNE. According to Margaret she is just beautiful. Only one evening did she leave the house, and that was when she went out with her daughter-in-law's parents, Mr. and Mrs. BERRY. They had beautiful weather and a wonderful time...October 10 was a big day for JOE RITROVATO. This was when he became engaged to RITA BRZECZEK of the Employment Department. The day for the wedding bells and another CTA merger is February 13, 1971. Congratulations and the best of luck...On October 23, ART and FLORENCE ROEPKE celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary. Their sons took them to Sharko's West restaurant in honor of this occasion. Congratulations and many more years of happiness...On November 9, THOMAS and GLADYS MACE became the proud grandparents of twin boys. They now have four grandchildren. The new little guys are THOMAS E. who weighed 6 pounds 7 ounces, and MARIO E. who weighed 4 pounds 7 ounces. Congratulations to the parents, THOMAS L. and MARY, and also to the grandparents...Your scribe, COLETTE, would like to wish all the readers of her column a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

(Traffic Planning) -

On November 11, FRANK BARKER attended the Fall Awards Night given by the Oak Park-River Forest High school. Both of his sons are members of the track team and received awards. His oldest son, FRANCIS, is a senior and received his major school letter for track. His youngest son, GEOFFREY, is a freshman who was awarded his graduation numbers for cross country. We wish both boys continued success...JIM and ROSE TOOLIS celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on November 21. We extend our congratulations and best wishes.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

A card was received from PETE CARPINO who is vacationing in the state of the hula dancers. He said that the flight on the jumbo jet was very good and he is enjoying the beautiful weather in Hawaii. He will tell us more upon his return. JAMES J. ROCHE was also on vacation, but stayed in Chicago. Others who were on vacation during November are: M. DORGAN, J. MOORE, F. SPITALLI, D. BOWEN, J. KOHLER, O. JOHNSON #2, F. WILSON, J. SHELDON, C. HOLLINGSWORTH, S. LUPINA, and F. ZBROSKEWICH... We are happy to report that T. McKEON and C. GAGE have returned to work after being off sick.

- Colette Szczepanek

RAPID TRANSIT MAINTENANCE TERMINALS -

Congratulations to G. BARNES, 61st Street, on his promotion to instructor. Best of luck to George in his new position from all the boys at 61st...Congratulations to JOE LABELLARTE, instructor, who was promoted to night foreman. We would also like to extend our condolences to Joe and his family on the passing of his father on October 31...Wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to M. BRINSON, 61st Street, who is still on the sick list...Enjoying early holiday vacations are: H. CARTER, W. SPARKS, and L.

TAKING A leisurely break during their 4,217-mile vacation trip, North Section Reporter and Ticket Agent TINA HENKE and her husband, GEORGE, Howard Street clerk, posed for this picture at the Historical Society Museum in Lincoln, New Mexico. Seated in front of them is SUSSE JACOBSEN of Copenhagen, Denmark, who had been a visitor in their home for five months and accompanied them on the trip.

STRYSZAK, 61st Street...After 22 years of service, J. RAND, Wilson, retired on November 1. Best wishes for a long and healthy retirement are sent his way...A hearty welcome to M. GARCIA, new car serviceman at Howard Street...In his new position at last is LOUIS KASPER, Congress, who just completed training for terminal combination clerk...It's good to hear that MIKE KEATING, Congress, is at home recuperating from his stay in the hospital...A double celebration was held in the CANNELLA household on November 11. One to celebrate Mrs. Cannella's birthday and the other to celebrate their 31st wedding anniversary. Congratulations to all. Congratulations are also in order for Mr. and Mrs. H. YOUNG, Congress, who also celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary on November 11. Best wishes for another 31 years of marital bliss to both the Youngs and the Cannellas...Our sympathy to the family of DON SANDUK, Congress, on the passing of his mother-in-law, Mrs. ANN MARKER... Best of luck to JERRY MORELLI, Wilson, who resigned to enter the world of small business. Remember your old friends after you make your first million...JOHN WIERCIOCH, Kimball, is doubly proud these days. One reason is his new Mercury Marquis and the other is the election of his nephew, Richard Martwick, as superintendent of schools...Roughing it in the wilds of Wisconsin for hunting and pleasure is how G. VAN NORMAN, Kimball, spent his vacation...Best wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to D. MERCURE, Kimball, who is at home recuperating after undergoing surgery at Lutheran General hospital...Getting an early start on holiday preparations is how MIKE RUSSIN, Kimball, spent his vacation...Best wishes for continued good health and a very long retirement are sent to FRED STOEHRMAN, Kimball, who retired on December 1 after 44 years of service... Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. L. FIELDS, Kimball, on the birth of their new daughter...Getting the holiday season off to a good start by enjoying vacations were: D. BRODIE, J. O'CONNOR, J. HENDERSON, N. BENSON, G. DAVIS, M. BESS, M. DUKE, and E. BLICHARZ, Wilson... Packages sometimes tick but very seldom jump and flip around. C. SCALES, Congress, found a jumping package that turned out to be a 3½ pound live bass that ended up being a delicious supper.

- Ray Brzezek

SKOKIE SHOPS -

NELLO PAOLICCHI, machinist, and his wife enjoyed a nice vacation and visit with relatives in Phoenix, Arizona. They also stopped at Las Vegas for three days and nights to see the sights, shows, and make their little donation. They also rerouted via Phoenix and Tucson, Arizona, to Nogales, Mexico. In Tucson they visited a nephew who took them into the desert to do some hunting, and as luck goes for the first trip, Nello was able to bag a coyote. They also watched some western movies being shot, and then returned to Chicago. A total of 6,000 miles was enjoyed...GREGORY MARSHALL, machinist apprentice, and BEVERLY BILLIS were united in marriage on November 21. Loads of luck to both. JOSEPH BILLIS, the father of Beverly, works in the Schedule Department... PAUL CEROTZKE, laborer, is sporting a new Chevrolet Impala. Lots of luck and enjoyment...RAY MURRAY, machinist, is the proud father of a son, JAMES, who passed the Illinois bar examination. James received his license and diploma at Springfield, Illinois, on Saturday, November 14...DON VILLA, electrical worker apprentice, is the proud owner of a new Mustang Mach I. Good luck, Don...Pensioners ROY LUNDQUIST, Truck Shop foreman, and GEORGE RATEIKE, Technical Services advisor, recently visited Skokie. Both look wonderful and are enjoying their pensions...HERB LINDQUIST, electrical foreman, and his wife recently spent their vacation at Virginia Beach, Virginia, with their son, daughter-in-law, and two grandsons. They reported having a wonderful time...JOHN BEHOF, laborer, and his wife, EVELYN, lost their last son, RICHARD, to a lovely girl named CONSTANCE BEROUKAS. The wedding was on November 29 at St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox church, 2727 W. Winona street. A reception followed at the famous Antoine's, 4370 N. Elston avenue. A wonderful evening was enjoyed by all. Lots of luck to the bride and groom from the employes of Skokie Shops...WESLEY WILSON, laborer, is driving a new Galaxie 500. A real nice selection, Wesley, lots of happiness and good driving...To their new assignments, we recently welcomed HEINZ G. DOERING, superintendent of rapid transit shops & terminals; HARVEY G. (Moe) WILLIAMS, assistant superintendent, and THOMAS P. LYONS, rapid transit superintendent of technical services.

- Everett E. England

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

Superintendent L. C. DUTTON is presently convalescing after a brief stay in the hospital. We extend our best wishes for a speedy recovery...Congratulations to JOE BILLIS on his recent promotion to statistician, and to JOE CAPPELLETTI and E. WROBEL on their promotions to schedule clerks...We welcome JOHN FITZGERALD and M. LEVEE, outside checkers, as traffic clerks...GEORGE HANUS and his wife motored to Newport News, Virginia, to spend Thanksgiving with his son and family and then went on to Redington Beach, Florida...Pensioner JOHN FRANZEN visited the office and looks very well...SAM DeSALVO and his family spent a month vacationing in Miami Beach, Florida...JOSEPH LAWLOR, the son of STEVE LAWLOR, and the son-in-law of W. P. DEVEREUX, was admitted to the Illinois Bar Association on November 16. Joe is now a certified public accountant and an attorney. Both father

Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year

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and father-in-law are very proud of him...LAWRENCE JACOBS, the son of DAVID JACOBS, won a four-year scholarship to Marquette university...A very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year to all.

- Kathryn Batina

SOUTH SHOPS -

Your co-reporters, BOB and ELAINE, would like to wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all of you... The South Shops office is looking forward to a merry good time on Friday, December 11, when they do their "thing" at the Christmas party which will be held at the Golden Age restaurant...A warm welcome is extended to THOMAS E. ALFRED to the Office Statistics Department. Thomas was transferred from the 77th Street Garage...Congratulations to FRANK VENEZIA, Technical Services, and his bride, Miss MARY F. ROONEY. Frank and Mary were wed on Saturday, November 21, at Little Flower church. A reception followed at Halleran's. Frank didn't know where they were going on their honeymoon. While interviewing Frank, I asked him if they had their apartment; what a mistake I made, as he wasted no time correcting me by letting me know that they had already moved into their home. How lucky can two people be...Congratulations to CHESTER PAVLAC, Area 249, whose daughter was married to Mr. JERALD BEAM on November 15. The reception was held at the Manor Banquet hall and a crowd of more than 350 had a very lovely time...Congratulations to JERRY PAVEL, Area 334, on the birth of a granddaughter, JULIE LYNN, born November 12 weighing 7 pounds 1 ounce. This is Jerry's first grandchild...Congratulations to JOSEPH SANDER, Area 333, on the marriage of his son, JOHN, on October 10. The wedding was attended by some of Joe's fellow co-workers of Area 333...Congratulations to TERRY REILLY, Area 344, on his marriage to Miss BARBARA KALAUSKA on September 26. Congratulations to ART BEACHAM, Area 349, on the birth of his third grandchild, DENISE SUSAN, who weighed 8 pounds 1 ounce. Her father is in the armed services...Congratulations to GEORGE OLSON's daughter, JUDY ANN, who is an honor student for the third year at Mother Guerin High school. Judy Ann was awarded a membership to the Mu Theta Alpha, a national honor society for mathematics majors... Last, but not least, congratulations to co-reporter BOB BROWN who became a father for the second time when his wife gave birth to a daughter. I don't think baby would be a very good word, as Bob's daughter, get this, ready, weighed, are you sure you are ready, 9 pounds and 13 ounces at birth. Well, all I can say is, right on, brother... A speedy recovery goes out to LARRY VANCE, Office Statistics, who is in Little Company of Mary hospital. Hurry back, we miss you...JOHN LIPKA, engineer, Equipment Research and Development, who was temporarily assigned to South Shops, is at this writing resting at home due to a leg ailment. We hope you feel better and will be back among us soon...WILLIAM PANEK, Area 342, is back from Florida where he visited with his ex-foreman, JAMES MUDRA. Bill says he had a very nice time...TOM COATES, Area 344, vacationed in California for one week...AL H. JOHNSON, Paint Shop, spent his vacation in Miami Beach... Superintendent JOSEPH A. ROSENDHAL, of MC&OP, and his wife spent a week in Huntington, North Carolina, hunting for rubies. Would you believe he found some?..We would like to welcome back to work WILLIAM ROHE after being off since August 17. JACK LAUBINGER and GEORGE MORRELL, Area 336, have returned after being off sick. TOM JONES, Paint Shop, is still off sick. Hurry back, Tom, we miss you...South Shops annual bowling turkey shoot was held on Sunday, November 15, and turkeys were won by AL SAMASKA, AL GROLEG, Pensioner A. GENNET, B. RAFFERTY, JOHN MURRAY, and J. LUKSO. A very nice lunch was served and everyone had a good time... JOHN GASSAWAY, Area 312, was very disappointed when he went to move into his new home on Saturday, November 14, and his buddies at the South Shops played a trick on him and they all stayed away at moving time. But the fellows did come later to help John. We would like to congratulate John and his wife, JERRY, on their latest accomplishment and hope they will have many years of happiness in their new home.

- Elaine Stewart & Bob Brown

THIS LITTLE bundle of joy is KATHLEEN LOUISE McSPARIN, the daughter of Forest Glen Operator ROBERT McSPARIN. Kathleen was so eager to get here on March 30 that her dad had to replace the stork and do the delivering. Looks as if he did a fine job, too.

SOUTH SECTION -

A Merry, Merry Christmas to everyone! I hope the holidays bring happiness to your hearts...Clerk EARL JONES was elated when he heard that his son will be home on furlough from Viet Nam for the holidays...It was good to see Motorman DELMUS ALLEN, Switchman JEFFREY THOMAS, and Motorman JOHNNIE ROBINSON back working and off the sick list...Retired Motorman STEVE KOTRIS surprised us with a nice visit at Ashland Avenue recently. He has been on pension 18 years and is very spry and looks as good as ever...Our sincere condolences to Motorman RICHARD CRANE whose father passed away recently, and to Instructor DAVID MARTIN whose sister passed away... Motorman TONY JAGLA and his wife had a wonderful vacation. First they flew to Germany, and it rained and was so cold they stayed only a short while. Then they came back to the States and flew to Miami Beach (they just love Florida). While there, they visited Retired Supervisor HUGH KELLEY and he sends his best regards to everyone back here in Chicago. They said Florida is the best place for a vacation...Welcome to newly hired Conductors FREDDIE BAILEY, MELVIN FIELDS, EMANUEL FITZPATRICK, and DANNY WILSON; SAMUEL JACKSON who transferred from the Surface System to agent, and newly hired Part-time Agent MICHAEL CHANDLER...It is wonderful to see former president of Division 308, JOHN BURNS, back to work after having his knee and ankle broken when struck by a car in July...Retired Switchman MAURICE O'BRIEN and Retired Motorman DANIEL CATE passed away recently. Our sincere sympathy goes out to their families...

Resigning recently were Switchman THOMAS ANDERSON, Motorman GARY CUTTIO, and Agents ALEX SINGLETON and GLADYS BRIDGES. Good luck to them whatever their new endeavors might be...At this writing Conductor WILLIAM ROWE, who had been in the hospital for an operation, is home recuperating. Hope Bill can return to work soon... Motormen ROBERT JACKSON and JOHN KENNEDY have been accepted to train as clerks, and they both are doing a real good job...Retired Conductor HAROLD THEDENS was in to see the boys at Ashland recently and said that his health is improving...We were happy to hear that Motorman JAMES HIGHTOWER and Towerman PHILIP AURIEMMA were accepted for supervisor's school. We wish all the trainees good luck...Our South Siders are still receiving passenger commendations. Agents MAXINE JEFFERSON and AMY GRANT received a commendation because they both are such swift, pleasant, and accurate agents at our busy 95th Street terminal. Also receiving a commendation was Conductor CARLTON DANIELS for finding a passenger's purse, and Agent ANTOINETTE STIPATI who helped an out-of-towner get to his destination. Keep up the good work, South Siders...Retired Shopman PAT McEVOY, who was in the hospital, is now at home recuperating. Here's hoping that Pat's health improves real soon...It was a pleasure to see Retired Clerk JOHN MORAN recently. Retirement sure agrees with him. He looks wonderful.

- Verna Hartney

WEST SECTION -

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all from LOU PAYNE and all the SICILIANOS. With the holidays here, you find everyone more kindly and friendlier than ever before. It's too bad we can't keep this attitude all year...Good news! JAMIE GORDON has found himself a girl friend. My Christmas wish for him last year finally came true...My co-reporter, LOU PAYNE, was recently a master of ceremony at a gala affair and was a big hit. They called him a second Flip Wilson, so being second, he will have to try a little harder...R. McCARTHY said a squirrel got into his house. He must have been looking for a nut. Like AL CLARK said, it came to the right house. After a broom fight, Mac won and the squirrel left...J. LANE was mighty proud when his son, BRUCE, received a four-year Chick Evans scholarship to attend the University of Illinois in Urbana, Illinois. A chip off his mother's shoulders...Motorman C. GUZIK is leaving Lake Street and going to Douglas Park to work with his brother. What a battle they are going to have looking for papers...Welcome back off the sick list to: W. FLOYD, J. HOLAKOVSKY, T. KATO, and GEORGE WOODMORE. Glad to have you back, fellows. MIKE BELLEZZO and R. CORY are still in the hospital but coming along fine. It shouldn't be too long before they return to work...The only sad news to report is the death of HARRY SCHESSLER. He was only on pension for 11 months, and it was a shame as he had such great plans. We send our sincere condolences to Harry's wife and family...LOU saw Superintendent E. J. HEATTER on the North Section. He is doing fine and says hello to all the men. I wonder if he is still carrying those shopping bags to work?..Birthday greetings to: T. DUNLEAVY, R. McCARTHY, R. ROBERTSON, R. PTACIN, W. SMITH, E. LAWSON, S. GIVENS, J. VAN BUREN, B. CHROMCZAK, T. WALKER, and D. COCHRAN...Congratulations to F. MEAD, H. THURBUSH, C. WHITE, R. QUINN, and B. HEALY who were accepted for supervisors school...Word is going around that Z. KOPCZYNSKI has the worst singing voice on Lake Street. Zeke will have to listen to me and then he will be second best...MARK FIORE and his wife, JERRY, while on vacation attended the wedding of their son, MARK, to Miss DORIS McDONNELL on October 16 in Rock Island, Illinois. Congratulations to the newlyweds...We have a new addition to our office staff. She is EVELYN LA SANCHE. We wish her much luck and success, and what a pleasure it is to look in the office and see a pretty face...There is a generation gap at Lake Street. The young basketball players won't give me a tryout for the team. I won't say how long ago it was, but I had one of the best two-handed set shots around; and what speed...I finally finished another column with Lou's help, so you will hear from us again next month. Have a nice holiday, and may God bless you all.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

52ND STREET -

Hi! Let me take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Transit News reporter for 52nd Street Station. If anyone has any news items for our column please see me or leave them with the clerk. Here's wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

- John L. Hudson

69TH STREET -

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all, and especially to Janitor WODARCZYK, Instructor O'DONNELL, Clerk L. HELINSKI, Collector J. HENNESSY, Operator BILL DONAHUE of the credit union, and JIMMY AHERN of the Repair Department who have always been very helpful in providing news for this column. Jimmy would also like to express Seasons Greetings to everyone in the Repair Department, and reports that Pensioner ED PRUEMER paid a visit and is in good shape looking as fat

UNLESS THE Cubs move to a more centrally located stadium, you'll probably never again see one of their baseball signs carried on a West Side rapid transit train. When this picture was taken in 1912, Metropolitan Division trains served the original Cubs ballpark at Polk and Loomis. The crew consists of Conductor EMIL SWITCHENBURG and Motorman HARRY SCHLAU, who are both deceased. The picture was submitted by retired West Section Yard Foreman HAROLD G. JOHNSON.

as ever...We wish Foreman EDDY MURRAY, TERRY McGUIGAN, and WILLIAM TOOMEY good luck in their new assignments. And to those who replaced them, we send you a hearty welcome. They are: PETER SZAFRANSKI, day foreman; JAMES BYRNES, day assistant foreman, and SOL MORSICA, p.m. foreman...Pensioner JOE GAMEN is doing fine in Florida enjoying the life of leisure...CHARLIE WILLIAMS vacationed down in Tennessee where he did a little fishing. He said he caught the big ones that you fellows always claim got away...Our sincere condolences to P. SZAFRANSKI whose mother passed away, and to the family of DAN McAVOY, our electrician, who passed away...The instruction office reports that H. REDDRICK is confined in Michael Reese hospital and would appreciate a few cards. Hurry back, Harry, the fellows said they won't work you too hard...O'DONNELL, JOHNSON, ROSS, and FULLER are going around with big smiles claiming they have everything under control. Is it because ED SWANSON took another vacation that makes everything so peaceful? They wish to congratulate the men for the fine showing they made and say that they really deserved the coffee and rolls given to them in November. They state that with the winter months approaching, it is better to make one trip than two and have to make out an accident report...With the Union restaurant closed after 50 years, we don't have VI and company to tease. It's a good thing our Western avenue buses don't go past 79th street as VI is now working at 80th and Western. ..ED BEHRENS and W. DONAHUE won't shake hands, so O'DONNELL got JOZA and SCOTTY HIGGINS to act as managers. Was that a typewriter I heard Donahue punching behind locked doors in the credit union office? Better shape up, Behrens...ELWOOD BARRINGER and JOE KOVATZ were appointed to the credit union supervisory committee. They replaced JIM KELLY and MEL TURNER who transferred from 69th Street. To them, we say thanks for a job well done...I wonder when Joe Kovatz found out that the key L. G. DAKES gave him was a phony...J. J. KELLEY said he was going to send HAMMERSCHMIDT a sympathy card for the time Hammer was caught three minutes ahead of time...P. H. CAMERON took his pension on December 1 and said for us to keep them rolling...G. HRUSKA can't seem to run into BILL CAVANAUGH. Contact my column, all you lonely hearts, and let me be the mediator...We extend our condolences to LAWRENCE RILEY and his family on the loss of their son who was a victim of a hit and run...JOZA ate five cans of sardines one day and he sure smelled like it. Wow!..SUMMERS is now working as a street collector and is glad to be back...I saw JIMMY NOONE and he sure looks good. He is really a sharp dresser...C. POLD, who retired and went to California, was here recently to attend the funeral of his father. He said he likes the weather in California and also the motel management work he is now doing...The VALLONI family really celebrated birthdays during the month of November. CINDY, November 8; DON, November 10; RICHARD, November 5, and SAM's mother-in-law was 101 years old on November 25...Operator GREEN's daughter, LINDA, has plans to be married in February...I understand that W. YEATMAN, box puller, took his key home with him just so he could be suspended the day after Thanksgiving...To everyone on the sick list we wish you a speedy recovery, and to all the pensioners we wish many years of happiness and health. Please drop me a line here at 69th, or call me at 448-4957 and let me print the news in this column...Station Superintendent C. GIBES extends his best wishes to all of us for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. God bless everyone...P.S. Hello Mrs. YOUNG.

- Arthur P. Buesing

77TH STREET -

Congratulations to all the operators at our station. We broke our accident and complaint pars for the month of October. This was the second time this year that we achieved this feat. We were again treated to coffee and rolls by Superintendent J. A. KNERR and Assistant Superintendents G. D. PEYTON and F. A. WSOL...Operator LUTHER LEE and the little lady are now in their own home. Congratulations, (Big) Lee...Operator HENRY BEATTY is now able to wear shoes again. He stepped off the bus and cut his foot on a piece of glass a few weeks ago. Incidentally, the Beattys spent Thanksgiving in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania...Our relief switchboard operator, BILL LEWIS, has returned to work after being off ill for three weeks...Sorry to learn that Instructor HARRY REDDRICK is in Michael Reese hospital...Operator JOHN COOPER is on sick leave. Your reporter worked his run one day and all the regular riders missed him. So hurry and return to work, John...The basketball league's second year of games began on December 1. The league is again sponsored by Division 241 and CTA. The 77th Street basketball team members are: Operators POPE, PEEL, ASKEW, SCARBROUGH, GAINES, INGRAM, STUTTLEY, NORFLEET, TILLEY, ROBINSON, EDWARDS, FOSTER, DAVIS, HOLT, and BENFORD with Operator F. WILLIAMS as manager and RUFUS PLATTS and ELCOSIE GRESHAM as coaches. Superintendent Knerr is hoping that the big trophy will be awarded to our station this year. The "word" is out, fellows, either we win the "big one" or we all get a week off!

- Elcosie Gresham

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